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It opposes any political movement by Democrats outside of the Democratic organization. It stands by every plank in the Chicago platform, as the true expression of Democracy. Accepting the restoration of "White Supremacy" as the paramount issue, it believes that the Democracy should lose no time in shaping its course to that end. It is plain that the blacks, who rigidly drew the color line in the late election, will not assist the whites in the restoration of white supremacy. It is equally plain that the Republican allies of the blacks, who have demonstrated their negrophilism by thirty years of fusion with the blacks, will not assist in restoring white supremacy. The Observer therefore favors consideration of the question, "How shall the reunion of the two wings of Vance's Democracy be effected," so that the masses of the Democratic party may be justly represented in the next Convention. It is unalterably opposed to fusion—that is, to any political combination which requires a sacrifice of Democratic principles as duly expressed by the party.

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IT MUST BE THE PARTY OF HONESTY.

The Democratic party is the Party of the People. It must be so in very truth. It must stand to its guns, at whatsoever part of its line these may be assailed. The thoughtless were accustomed, not long since, to say that party platforms were made to get in on. That is good Republican doctrine; but because Mr. Cleveland and his followers, in his second term, demonstrated that it had also become Democratic doctrine, the Populists found a reason for their being.

The essential feature of the victory of the real Democrats at Chicago in 1896 was the re-constitution of the party as the Party of Honesty—that is, as the party that meant what it said in its platform.

Both the Democratic and the Republican platforms of 1896 declared for Cuba. The Populist platform was silent on that point. The Cuban question is now acute, and what do we see? The Republican party, false to its promise, is revealed as the friend of Spain. But the Democratic Congressional caucus declares for Cuba, and the Populist caucus hastens to make a similar declaration. That is an illustration of the way in which an honest course may win back those who left us when we were demonstrating our dishonesty.

An esteemed contemporary says that the "war" on the goldbug faction that professes to train with the Democrats should cease, now that that faction declares that it will no longer oppose the party policy as laid down by the majority. We quite agree with the principle of that proposition, and the "war" will cease the moment the deeds of the gold organs verify their words. But they are as far from taking that honest course as ever. Their chief organ in North Carolina yesterday slapped the party in the face by taking the side of Spain against the Cuban patriots in the Ruiz matter. If we allow that to pass as the voice of the Democracy, we supply ammunition to the Populists.

The Democratic party must be the Party of Honesty!

GENERAL WALLACE'S PREDICTION.

The Atlanta Constitution, as will be seen elsewhere, does not think General Lew Wallace's prediction that our next war will be with Japan one that is likely to be fulfilled. Possibly not—we might even say probably not, as to that particular country. But no student of history, it seems to us, can shut his eyes to the fact that our money-worshipping seventy millions of 1897 are held in much less esteem by the semi-civilized nations than the three or four millions who backed Decatur a hundred years ago, when he brought Tripoli to terms; or the fifteen or twenty millions who applauded Ingraham when he forced Austria to recognize our rights, or sent forth the heroes who conquered the disciplined troops of Mexico, half a century later.

Though he may err as to Japan, General Wallace has stated a general truth, which finds confirmation in our attitude towards Cuba—an attitude which, it has been charged, has materially benefitted a portion of our people at the expense of the honor of them all.

A Hostile Prediction

Atlanta Constitution.

In addressing one of the military organizations of Indianapolis during the past week General Lew Wallace made the surprising prediction that this country would not lack for martial achievements during the next few years, and that Japan would be the first foreign power to provoke difficulties with the United States.

To quote the exact language of this prediction, General Wallace said:

"I believe the future holds for you opportunities upon the field where every man ambitious to show courage and win glory for his country's sake may have his ambition satisfied. And I am happy in the belief that it will not come upon our own soil in internecine strife. There are those abroad who declare that we are a nation so engrossed in making money that the nations of the world can impose upon us with impunity. They do not know the American people. I should like to have them look into your eyes as I do and repeat the assertions.

"I am not a prophet, nor the son of a prophet, but I venture the prediction, and call you to witness it, that the next war we have will be with the Japanese. It is my candid opinion that in the course of not a great many years the Japanese will have to have somebody to 'thrash' them, and we are the people to do it."

Whatever may come of General Wallace's prediction with respect to future collision between the United States and other powers, it is not likely that this country will become involved in difficulties with Japan. That wide-awake and enterprising little empire of the Pacific is too alive to its interests to think for a moment of provoking difficulties with the United States; and so far at least as Japan is concerned, the prediction of General Wallace is not apt to be fulfilled.

English in the Schools.

Atlanta Constitution.

Harvard university has been making an investigation into the methods of teaching English in the preparatory schools. We have not kept up with the progress of the inquiry. It has been carried on by a committee of very able men, and the result of it will be far reaching.

It is impossible to make reference to the matter without calling attention to the deplorable methods of teaching English that are in vogue in all parts of the country, especially in our common schools. A majority of teachers appear to take small interest in the matter, but deal with it in the most perfunctory manner. This, primarily, is not the fault of the teachers, but of the parents.

It seems to be utterly impossible to impress upon the minds of parents as well as teachers that there is no such thing as written English grammar. Tell them so, and they respond by saying that they know of dozens of English grammars. In fact, there are more than ten thousand so called English grammars, and no two alike. If a real English grammar were in existence, we should not have such an appalling collection to choose from. All that is necessary for the schools is a thin volume containing the simple basis of such parts of English grammar as can be safely committed to paper—the bare elements—expressed in language that a child can understand.

But the trouble with those who write what are called English grammars is that they not only immediately become purists, and call to their aid the most execrable diction that ever got on stilts, but they want to bind the English language and compel it to perform within the narrow limits of their own notions, and they put their diction on stilts because they think it is scholarly to do so.

The real English grammar which has never been written and never will be conforms to the individuality of every man who knows how to write English. There are treatises on punctuation, but no two writers punctuate alike. No real writer has any rule or guide for punctuation. Real English grammar is far more fluid than the forms of punctuation. It cannot be taught by rule, but must be imbibed until it takes the form of an instinct—until the ear of the mind becomes sensitive to the rhythm and melody that underlie the pages of prose printed before written English grammar had an existence, and that are to be found in all English prose written by the hand of a master.

But this sort of English, though it lies at the elbow of every teacher, is but scantily studied in the schools. By preference the children are taught geography and foreign history. Two hours a day of dictation, or even one hour, would change all this. We should then have four lessons in one—writing, spelling, reading and real English grammar, provided always that the matter for dictation is from the masters of English prose or poetry. The pupil would then, in the most natural way, grow familiar with and become possessed of that most necessary instrument of his education—the English language.

The most depressing, as well as the most unnecessary road to a knowledge of English, is that which goes by way of written grammar.

Somehow the idea has become fixed in the minds of the people that written English grammar, with all its distressing and conflicting complications and with all its rubbish of pedagogy, is an absolutely necessary part of a child's education. And the teachers cannot escape. The result is that not one pupil out of ten ever learns how to write English correctly; and those that do write it correctly do so from an inborn instinct that is above and beyond the written grammar. All that is necessary for a child to learn are the parts of speech—and even these are differently named in different grammars—and common sense will do the rest, particularly if its mind be kept in constant contact with what is best in English literature.

The real truth of the whole matter is that everything is taught in the schools except the very thing that should be taught most assiduously—English. We are groping along toward an improvement in this matter, but the movement is very slow and unsatisfactory.

Another Traitor Rewarded.

The business of rewarding traitors by conferring offices upon them goes right along in the world. A Havana telegram says:

Dr. Zertucha who was the physician of the late general Antonio Maceo, has been appointed mayor of Bejucal, this province. Zertucha has belonged in his day to all the political parties in Cuba. At one time he was a bandit in the Vuelta Abajo, and his record was very discreditable. It was quite inexplicable to the friends of General Maceo that he kept the physician on his staff for so long a period, notwithstanding the warning given him. Maceo used to say that Zertucha's fault was his drinking habit.

At the time the famous Cuban commander was killed, Zertucha was charged with leading him and his party into the fatal ambush.

"What Money Is."

Under the above caption the New York Times publishes the following definition of "money" contributed to it by Mr. E. S. Renwick:

"The definition of money given by Mr. Redmond Gibbons and published in the Times of the 17th inst., viz., 'Any commodity which a people voluntarily agrees to give or take at market value in exchange for all other commodities at market value, thus making it an exchangeable measure of values and a standard of valuation,' corresponds precisely with the conception of money which has been in my mind for many years. It is based upon fundamental truth, and any proposition conflicting with it must consequently be erroneous. It demonstrates of itself that the silver dollar of the United States is not really money but simply currency, the same as the nickel and the copper cent, and it is taken currently as a substitute for money at the value stamped on its face only because the Government redeems it in gold of that value."

That being so, what a lot of idiots the people who have controlled our legislation since the war must be to continue the use of such an expensive metal as silver when a baser metal at a tenth the cost would serve as well! Verily, we are in bad way when such numbskulls control this great country.

Marriage at Westville.

Communicated.

At the residence of the bride's father, Mr. J. S. Ingram, by the Rev. A. N. Cambell, Mr. Archie Hamilton, of Buie's Creek Academy, to Miss Armetia Ingram, of Westville. After the ceremony they repaired to the church, three miles from the residence of the bride's father. As the charming young couple entered the choir sang "There is a land of pure delight," and, after a short sermon by the Rev. A. N. Campbell, they departed as the choir sang "Are you ready to go."

Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton's Godchild.

Washington Post.

The many friends of the Hon. Alfred Moore Waddell in Washington, where he served twelve successive years as member of Congress, will be interested in the romantic history of his third wife, to whom he was recently married.

The present Mrs. Waddell was Miss Gabrielle de Gonde de Rosset. She is the goddaughter of Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton, and was remembered in his will to the amount of $1,000 and the copyright to one of his best dramas. The career of the lady reads like a chapter from a novel. Before the war Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton was British Minister to the United States. He had known the Scotch family of Aucrum, who had settled in Charleston, S. C. The tourist of to day can see the ruins of Aucrum Castle, Edinborough. By invitation Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton visited the Aucrums in Charleston while he was stationed in Washington as Minister, became very much attached to them, and spent several weeks there. He is said to have become enamored of one of the young ladies of the family, and to have written in her honor the words of the pretty old ballad, beginning:

When stars are in the quiet skies,
Then most I pine for thee;
Bend on me then thy tender eyes
As stars look on the sea.

The lady wrote the music and the reflection of the stars in the water of the famous old battery of Charleston, together with the beauty of Miss Aucrum and the fascination of the moonlight nights in that soft Southern climate, inspired the poet and peer to write the song, whose music is sung everywhere by those who have never heard the story of its authorship. Miss Aucrum married another man, and Sir Edward was sent as Minister to Constantinople. The civil war came on years afterward, and the present Mrs. Waddell, who is the grand daughter of the lady Bulwer admired, was a baby while that conflict was at its height. Her father, Louis de Rosset, was one of the trusted agents of the Southern Confederacy. He had run the blockade, and had reached Nassau, where he was overtaken by the dreaded yellow fever. His young wife heard of it, and declared she would take her baby, run the blockade, and go and nurse him. In spite of protests from her family and his, she left the port of Wilmington, N. C., where they were then living, and steamed out of that harbor one night in a rakish looking blockade runner. The vessel was seen by the Federal fleet, fired upon, and forced to return in a leaking condition to Fort Fisher. The baby was tossed on shore into a blanket, held at the four ends by sailors, and the party was driven back into Wilmington over twenty miles of low lying sandy road. The intrepid mother started again in a swifter vessel, commanded by Capt. Read, now connected with the Clydes of New York, under cover of a storm. She was about to reach the high seas when a Federal man-of war sighted her, and fired into her. Mrs. de Rosset stood on the bridge with the Captain while the short skirmish lasted, doing her share by keeping cool, and giving the crew the benefit of her good eyesight and undaunted courage. The blockader escaped on account of its superior speed, and handed the mother and infant at Nassau safely. Mr. De Rosset recovered from the yellow fever, and at once took his family to England.

Lord Lytton was then the lion of the hour. He heard of Mrs. de Rosset's adventure, and recognized in her the daughter of his old friend in Charleston. He called, introduced them to the most exclusive circle in Great Britain, and invited them to Knebworth Castle, his most beautiful seat. He stood as godfather to little Gabrielle, taught her to repeat his poetry, and remembered her in his will as mentioned above. The de Rossets took a house in Kensington, and lived there until peace was restored. The mother died, and the little girl was brought back to her kindred in Wilmington to face, with a courage not unworthy of her mother, the changed condition of things.

The State's Finances.

Treasurer Worth furnishes this financial statement: The public fund receipts for the fiscal year ending November 30th were $1,308 691; brought forward from last year, $88,353; total, $1,397,044. The year's disbursements of this fund were $1,294,725, leaving a balance on hand of $102 319. Of the receipts, sheriffs paid in $625,834, the penitentiary $134,516, tonnage tax on fertilizers $53,592, North Carolina railroad dividends $195,013, Atlantic and North Carolina railroad $25,332, insurance companies $87,400, property tax on railways $71,000. Of disbursements the chief were: Agricultural department, $53,592, Agricultural and Mechanical college, colored, $23,063; Eastern hospital $40,000; legislature $70,660, interest on bonds $302,947, judiciary $62,361, Agricultural and Mechanical college at Raleigh $32 436, experiment station $15,000, insane asylum at Raleigh $55,450, blind institution $40,000, penitentiary $134,516, deaf mute school $35,000, pensions $103,757, public printing $20,519, Western hospital $90.000, Normal and Industrial college $25,000, state university $25,000. Receipts of the educational fund were $23,043, and $35,105 was brought over as balance from last year, making total $58,148. The largest disbursement was to schools—$42 078 and the balance on hand is $23,729 against which there are outstanding $24,771 of unpaid warrants for schools, leaving the account overdrawn $1,041.

On December 1st pension checks aggregating $102,000 were issued, thus practically taking up all the balance in the treasury.

An Honest Man.

A number of instances of the nice sense of honor possessed by the late Dr. DeRosset have been mentioned in the papers. Here is another, which a friend has related to us.

A piece of property, in his charge, was damaged by fire. The damage was assessed in accordance with the terms of the policy and paid. In making the repairs, which resulted in bettering the condition of the building, he found after paying all the bills that a considerable portion of the fund had not been expended, whereupon he at once returned the amount left over to the agent of the Company. The Company wrote to ascertain who the party was, remarking that they had never before had such a case in their long experience.

RED SPRINGS ITEMS.

RED SPRINGS, N. C., Dec. 23, 1897.

Red Springs Seminary closed yesterday at noon, for the holiday vacation. Most of the teachers and boarding pupils will go home. Probably Misses DePass, Munce and Gibson will remain here. The session has been a successful and harmonious one and brighter prospects ahead—156 enrolled.

Red Springs High School closed to day, and will open January 3. Enrollment 51 males, 17 females—representing several counties. The outlook for the school is bright.

Mrs. W. H. McKinnon closed her school December 20th.

Miss Fanny McQueen also teaches a small school.

Where else is there a town of 700 population having about 250 in schools and college?

Verily, this is an educational and religious center as well as a famous health and pleasure resort.

The President of the N. Y. Fashion Co. sent some mistletoe, holly and other evergreens and some cotton, &c., to N. Y. last week.

Rev. D. W. Fox sent a large box of such things to Albany, N. Y.

Mr. Fisher and children from Lyon's Falls, N. Y., are expected at Hotel Townsend tomorrow; Mrs. F. is already there.

Mr. L. H. Lyon, proprietor, has just returned from Southern Pines. He has a good team now for the Hotel. Mr. P. E. Bragg, his professional huntsman and guide, accompanied him, and killed 30 birds. Mr. Bragg says he has killed 18 out of 18 birds and that on an average he kills half he shoots at.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McKinnon celebrated their silver wedding Tuesday night. Among their many friends and guests were Mrs. Dr. McNeill and Mr. Alex. McNeill of Cumberland.

The K. of P. is flourishing. Several new members recently.

The Lyceum had "An Evening with Tennyson" last Monday night, which was enjoyable and instructive.

Mr. R. B. Branch has bought a new printing outfit which is expected in a few days—and hopes to make other improvements soon. Success to the Citizen—it deserves a large patronage as it has worked nobly for morals, religion, education and general progress.

President Vardell and sisters are at the bedside of their father at Davidson College, and it is feared that he will not recover. The K. of P. sent Presidents Vardell resolutions of sympathy, &c.

W. F. Blount was at Hotel Townsend Monday night. He will aid in the Old Folks Concert.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Costen went to Jonesboro to day to stay a few days.

Mr. Fred Brown is teaching at Roziers, and has over 30 pupils.

Rev. D. W. Fox preached in Lumberton last Sunday.

Mr. Edward Welch will preach in the M. E. church next Sunday.

Willie Jones gave a delightful sociable to the young folks last night.

A Bright Future for Fayetteville.

"Fayetteville has a bright future," "Never in the history of Fayetteville has her future seemed so bright." "Fayetteville is going to be one of the large cities of the south" are remarks one now constantly hears from many lips. All this in the face of the proposed purchase of our home road, the C. F. & Y. V. by the Seaboard Air Line and the consequences which some think may follow the removal of the offices, shops, &c.—though we do not see why this should follow the Seaboard's acquirement, as the C. F. & Y. V. is a large road, with the most mileage of any road in the state and is centrally located in regard to the Seaboard's roads; and then Fayetteville is an important place and in time will be a great manufacturing city. Another point to be considered is that shops are already here, with a number of as fine mechanics as can be found anywhere. In fact their work has attracted attention and admiration from many persons experienced in such matters.

However, all this is not to the point; and laying aside the railroad matter, and in spite of McKinley prosperity and 5 cent cotton, Fayetteville has a bright future before her—it is visible all around us, it is in the air. It is not many years off either—probably when Bryan is president.

A Serious Leakage.

A prominent merchant informs us that a careful estimate places the amount of cash (in money and express orders and cheques) that leaves the town every day to pay for retail purchases made of merchants in the larger cities, at $250. That is nearly $100,000 a year. Now, think how much the spending of this amount here in Fayetteville would add to the business of our merchants. This leakage has been going on for years, under the impression of those who contribute to it that goods were cheaper elsewhere. This is a great mistake; and people are beginning to find it out—especially since our merchants have begun to advertise their wares more freely and constantly in the OBSERVER, which reaches every eye in this city and a large per centage of those in the neighboring counties. Many persons living along the lines of railway centering here, have told us that they have been attracted by the advertisements appearing in the OBSERVER this fall and have concluded that our merchants are alive as well as the yankee merchants who have been practicing the art of advertising so much more extensively heretofore.

There are no cheaper goods to be found anywhere than in the stores of the enterprising merchants who make their appeals through the columns of this paper.

Death of the Oldest River Pilot.

David Jackson, a well known and respected colored citizen, and for forty years a Cape Fear river pilot, died Friday afternoon, 60 years of age. He leaves a wife and three children. Funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

People and Their Movements.

Mr. Harvey Lambeth is home from Oak Ridge for the holidays.

Mrs. W. L. Stevens, of Greensboro, is visiting her brother and family.

Miss Rosalie Smith of Bedford City, Va., is visiting Miss Mary MacRae on Haymount.

Miss Janie Pearson, of Morganton, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. N. W. Ray, on Green street.

Miss Mattie Sedberry is at home from her school duties at Sunbury, N. C., for the holidays.

Miss Kate McKimmon, of Raleigh, arrived today on a visit to her sister, Mrs. W. L. Hawley.

Miss Addie Riddick, of the St. Mary's School faculty, Raleigh, is at Tokay for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Jno. P. Buie, who is now a resident of Florida, is visiting his father, Mr. Neill Buie, in 71st.

Mr. Robt. Jordan and wife, of Hamer, S. C., are in the city on a visit to Mr. Jordan's mother, on Haymount.

His many friends were delighted to greet Mr. H. R. Novitzky, who is home to spend the holidays. Mr. Novitzky is one of the colony of the Tar Heels at Cordele, Georgia, in which flourishing town he is succeeding in a worldly way far beyond his expectations.

The Brigg's Cigarette Machine.

Several years ago a machinist named Briggs worked at Russel's machine shops in this city. While here he constructed and patented a cigarette machine, in which he interested Mr. Jas. R. Williams. These two gentlemen are now principal stockholders in the Winston Cigarette Machine Company, manufacturers of the Brigg's machine. The American Tobacco Company, being tied to the Bonsack machine, and seeing what a formidable rival it had in this new machine, attempted to crush it out through the courts, but was utterly defeated. Now the Briggs Cigarette Machine is being sold in all parts of the world. Only last week Mr. Briggs sailed for Japan to see properly installed a number of the machines purchased by parties in that country. Sometime before this another man was sent to Brussels on a similar errand.

It is a remarkable fact that in Fayetteville were invented and patented two famous cigarette machines, the Underwood machine and the Briggs machine.

Death of Mrs. John P. Stedman.

The sad news reached her many friends here Wednesday of the death in Oxford at 5:40 o'clock the previous evening, of Mrs. Stedman, the young wife of our former townsman, Mr. Jno. P. Stedman, and sister in law of Mrs. W. G. Hall and Misses Sue and Ella Stedman of this city. The former two ladies were with her during her last hours. The deceased, who was only 22 years old, leaves a husband and two little children.

Mrs. Stedman was a daughter of the late Rev. Dr. J. H. Cordon, a distinguished Methodist divine; her mother before she married Dr. Cordon was a Miss Telfair of Washington, N. C.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon in Oxford.

The bereaved husband and children have the sincerest sympathy of the whole community in the loss of this beloved wife and mother.

In the Hands of the Minks.

For some time the people of north eastern Fayetteville have been considerable losers from the depredations of minks. It is a frequent occurrence for one of the citizens of this locality to visit his hen coop in the morning to find that the labors of months in the poultry industry has come to naught. It has become a custom almost universal in the section referred to to burn a lamp or tie a dog all night in the hen houses. One lady lost on the 21st. inst. 9 head of chickens, and it is not unusual for one of the little pests to entirely clean up a whole barnyard in one night. Cannot the boys invent some means to exterminate these pests as they have so successfully done with the rabbits?

Dr. Henry E. Shepherd.

Dr. Shepherd has returned to Fayetteville to spend Christmas with his family, who are still here. He will remain until the 1st of January, when he will resume his duties in Baltimore. His many friends and admirers in this, his native town, will be delighted, we are sure, to know that he was received with open arms by the people of Baltimore, upon his return to that city after his fifteen years of absence; and, what is of more importance, in this prosaic day, he has had more than he could conveniently attend to of literary work that pays.

Fish for Lakewood.

A large consignment of black bass was received Saturday by the Lakewood club from the Government Fisheries Department at Washington. This is the second or third consignment of this kind and if everything goes well, the club's lake will be one of the finest fishing preserves in this part of the country, in a few years.

The Review Revived

The Wilmington Review, published as an afternoon paper for nearly twenty years by Josh T. James, and suspended last year on account of the ill health of its owner, is to be revived, the first number of the new series appearing to-day.

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Fine Old Oil Paintings.

The Wilmington Messenger in speaking of the visit to that city of Mrs. M. McD. Williams says:

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MANY THINK!

when the Creator said to woman, "In sorrow shalt thou bring forth children," that a curse was pronounced against the human race, but the joy felt by every Mother when she first presses to her heart her babe, proves the contrary.

Danger and suffering lurk in the pathway of the Expectant Mother, and should be avoided, that she may reach the hour when the hope of her heart is to be realized, in full vigor and strength.

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Country Cows Win.

The Supreme Court Tuesday affirmed the judgment of the lower Court in the case of Broadfoot vs. Fayetteville. The legislature of 1895 passed an act which provides that the owners of cattle within one mile of Fayetteville, but outside the corporate limits, should be charged one-fourth the pound fees charged the owners of cows in the city limits and owners three miles from the corporate limits should be charged nothing for the first three offenses, and the same as the one mile limit owners thereafter.

Col. Broadfoot's cow got in the city pound and he tendered the 25 cents fee as provided in the above act.

The city refused the offer, contending that the act was unconstitutional and that all owners should be charged alike. The case was taken to the courts as a test and the above is the result.

School Girls Home.

The following young ladies are at home from school for the Christmas holidays: Miss Lillie Slocomb, Lucy Cobb Institute, Athens, Ga.; Miss Katie Hawley, St. Mary's, Raleigh; Miss Roxie Dodd, Salem Female Academy; Miss Jane Williams; Red Springs Institute.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

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A woman's attractiveness in the eyes of man depends largely on her physical appearance. Nature, in order to preserve the race, guides mankind by the instinctive preference for a mate who is physically sound and wholesome.

If intellect alone were chiefly sought, the offspring might be a generation of Solomons for wisdom, but they would perish in infancy for want of physical stamina.

A weak or unhealthy woman is unfitted to fulfil her part in perpetuating the race: she is unequal to the demands of motherhood and wifehood, she is robbed of her natural womanly attractiveness.

Many a woman is cheated of life's choicest gifts by a dyspeptic, bile-poisoned condition of the system, which shows itself in a pimply skin, sallow complexion, tainted breath, or thin, ungraceful form.

The most perfect remedy for all the mortifying symptoms of mal-nutrition and impure blood is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Through its remarkable effect upon the liver and digestive organs it sweeps all impurities out of the circulation and creates a fresh supply of new, rich, life-giving blood.

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It restores the invincible beauty of wholesomeness and womanly capacity.

"I was a complete wreck; appetite gone, nervous system impaired; could not sleep, and was so weak that I could not stand on my feet ten minutes," writes Miss Ella Bartley, of No. 213½ South Grant Avenue, Columbus, Ohio: "I only weighed 95½ pounds when I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. After I had taken a half bottle I began to improve; I could sleep soundly the whole night, and would awaken with an appetite for breakfast, which was a rare thing as I never had for two years back eaten a hearty breakfast. I now have an excellent appetite, and my friends say they never saw me looking better or in better spirits since they knew me. I tell them it is all due to Dr. Pierce's 'Discovery.'"

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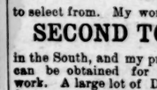

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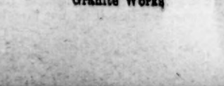

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FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES IN 1900.

WILLIAM J. BRYAN.

THE PRESIDENT'S DILEMMA.

Our Washington letter contains the following :

"Up to this time the most marked feature of the Congressional recess in Washington, has been the unconcealed anxiety of the administration as to the probable action of certain Senators when Congress gets together again and the attempts made to cajole them with patronage and promises into doing as Mr. McKinley desires, or into doing nothing and keeping quiet. The two principal causes—the minor ones are too numerous to mention—of Mr. McKinley's anxiety are Finance and the treaty for the annexation of Hawaii. He wants the treaty speedily ratified and he wants the silver Republicans to keep quiet and not attempt to carry out the intention announced by some of them of forcing Mr. McKinley's hand by compelling him to come out in the open and declare himself to be in sympathy with the outspoken efforts of Secretary Gage to secure legislation to strengthen the gold standard, or else to declare in favor of the restoration of bimetalism, which he has all along led them to believe he favored. The Senators who have been put in the doubtful column on the annexation question and the silver Republican Senators can have anything at Mr. McKinley's disposal in the way of patronage, if they will pledge themselves to do as he wants them. The effect of this cajolery of Senators cannot be told to a certainty until the questions affected get up in the Senate. Soon after the debate on the annexation treaty opens it will become apparent whether any of the "doubtful" Senators have become advocates of annexation, and the explanation that Senator Wolcott, who is regarded as the leader of the silver Republicans, has promised to make of his trip to Europe in behalf of international bimetallism, about the middle of January, will probably indicate the attitude of the silver Republicans, at least one of whom has told Mr. McKinley in plain words that unless he muzzles Secretary Gage the silver Republicans would publicly repudiate the financial policy of the administration."

This reminds us of the situation at the extra session of 1893 when anything in the way of patronage could be had at the hands of Mr. Cleveland in return for a vote for the unconditional repeal of the Sherman law. In each case the President was seeking to induce senators of his own party to violate their promises and betray their constituents. In each case the President sought to maintain the semblance of party regularity.

In Mr. Cleveland's case, it will be remembered, the point striven for was the conversion of the Democratic caucus strength from opposition to the unconditional repeal of the Sherman law to approval of it. The Democratic senators stood 19 for unconditional repeal to 20 against it. The problem, in the round up, was to change one man, so that the President might be able to claim that he acted in accordance with the views of a majority of his party as expressed in Congress. North Carolinians have not forgotten the war on Vance, hastening the great Commoner's death, and the other shameful efforts here in North Carolina to divert attention from the "traffic in offices" which finally enabled Mr. Cleveland to carry his point.

Similarly, Mr. McKinley is represented as using the patronage of the government to save his own party "regularity." We shall see whether or not the silver Republicans are made of sterner stuff than some "silver" Democrats were in Cleveland's time.

Meanwhile, let us rejoice that the battle ground is shifted from North Carolina, so that we may not again become responsible for legislation—active or passive—that makes the poor wretched and the well-to-do poor.

AN APPEAL THAT WILL NOT GO UNHEEDED.

We desire to present to the people of this community in the most prominent way possible the appeal of the venerable Independent Company for aid in their present undertaking, and therefore give the committee's communication this editorial position. It is unnecessary to remind our people of the historic value of this noble organization, now in its second century of active life, or of its very practical importance to the orderly well-being of the community at all times.

Read what the committee has to say, and be prepared to do your best.

Midwinter Fair.

FAYETTEVILLE, Dec. 27, '97.

MR. EDITOR:—We know you will cheerfully grant us space in the OBSERVER to make known our desire, as you are always generous in the matter of allowing space to public enterprises, and especially so to the old Company, in whose behalf we wish to speak to the public.

The Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry have decided to have a Midwinter Fair, to be known as "The Meeting of the Nations," as already announced, on the 26th, 27th and 28th of January next.

The details of this entertainment are now being worked out by a committee of ladies and a committee from the company.

We feel that our enterprise will be a success because we expect the hearty co-operation and support of every man, woman and child in this community, who loves the old Company for the deeds of valor enacted by its heroes in the past and for the sweet memories that make up its history.

As we shall expect *something* from every one, we feel it is but fair that all should make known our purposes to all.

The proceeds of this "Meeting of the Nations" are to go to the "Uniform Fund" of the Company.

Some fifteen years ago the ladies of the town gave a large fair or festival for the benefit of the Company, which placed two hundred dollars more or less into the treasury. The members of the company added to this fund by dues, fines and other methods until the amount reached two thousand dollars.

Then the lot on which the armory stands was purchased. Then the Company took active measures, ran the Opera House for several years, undertaking several entertainments—always being assisted by the ladies and other lovers of the company. In 1892 the company started the plan of building the armory and began work early in 1893—our centennial year. To do this work it was necessary to borrow a considerable amount of money; this was bravely undertaken, and since then the members of the company have done all in their power to meet the monthly obligations as they have fallen due—they have run excursions and undertaken many other ways of making money, all the time paying on these obligations the appropriations, dues, fines and all other revenues coming into their possession.

Now we are facing the necessity which confronts us, namely, the purchasing of a new uniform. We must have it. Have we been selfish? Have we not rather labored for posterity?

This committee feels justified in saying the members of the Company have worked faithfully, doing many days hard work, desiring to leave the Armory an unencumbered piece of property for the generations that shall follow us—thus being for the continual good of the town. They have been soldiers and paid for the privilege—we trust with the same spirit that animated those who composed the Company in 1813 who, when ordered to the coast to defend North Carolina soil, paid for substitutes, but went themselves also—making every man count two.

If the past decade had been a period of selfishness we might be marching with as handsome an outfit as can be had. As it is, we must have a new Uniform, one that will reflect credit on the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry and the City of Fayetteville.

To this end we ask that every one will lend a helping hand to make the proposed entertainment a financial success.

We ask a consideration of our statement by a fair minded public.

We ask you to help us—not buy the uniforms for us. We started some months ago a monthly collection of One Dollar each, in addition to our regular fines and dues, for this purpose, and we ask the public to supplement this.

B. R. HUSKE,
J. H. CULBRETH,
MARSDEN HAIGH,
Executive Committee.

The Public Domain.

The New York Sun quotes the following from Secretary Bliss's report:

The public domain, estimated to contain 1,835,017,692 acres, comprises the lands now owned or heretofore disposed of by the United States, which were acquired by cessions from the original States, purchases from France, Spain, Mexico, Russia and Texas, and treaty with Mexico, as follows :

	Acres.
State cessions (Western Reserve).	258,504,129
Louisiana purchase from France, April 30, 1803	750,686,855
Florida purchase from Spain, Feb. 22, 1819	35,264,500
Mexican cession, treaty of Feb. 2, 1848	329,623,275
Texas purchase, Nov. 25, 1850	62 266,953
Gadsden purchase from Mexico, Dec. 30, 1853	29,142,400
Alaska purchase from Russia, March 30, 1867	369,529,600
Total	1,835,017,692

And adds :

"In the year 1792 Capt. Gray of Boston entered the great river which he named after his ship, the Columbia, and the account which he gave of what he had seen aroused a great desire to know more about the region. The census map of 1870, representing the Louisiana purchase as reaching to the Pacific, did not intend, we may hope, to ignore that notorious and all-important fact of history, but presumably sought to show that, in 1803, France ceded to us everything she claimed west of the Mississippi. But France, which had ceded to Spain that same territory in 1763, under the peace of Paris, had reacquired it from Spain in 1800, only to sell it to us three years later. Spain, however, held that this tract thus transferred and retransferred only extended to the Rocky Mountains. The Pacific strip she still claimed. But although our country might never have admitted Spain's claim to the Pacific coast above California, the matter was disposed of when we purchased Florida from her, the treaty for purchase expressly relinquishing the claim in question.

"When the hundredth anniversary of Capt. Gray's achievement was celebrated, a few years ago, we called attention to the momentous results of that discovery. But in reality we hold a triple, if not a fivefold, right to the Oregon region. Foremost, there was Gray's discovery of the Columbia in 1792, followed up by the explorations of Lewis and Clarke in 1805, and the settlements of the American Fur Company, which built Fort Astoria in 1811. Next, there was the purchase from France in 1803, and then the extinction of all Spanish claims, such as they were, in 1819, as ratified finally in 1821."

The Wonderful Mr. Atkinson.

The New York Sun quotes the following from a contemporary:

"Just here Mr. Atkinson steps in with a plan"—

And throws this funny light upon a busy-body who once engaged more serious attention than now:

Just here, just there, just everywhere. When and where does that fertile genius fail to step in with full plans and specifications? He is the universal constructor. He can prove one thing as well as another, and will make or repair statistical tables while you wait. We say "he" out of habit, but we know perfectly well that there is no such man as "Mr. Edward Atkinson." Not one big head could carry all that weight of inventiveness and heavy stock of theory. Under the name and style of "Edward Atkinson" some 125 thinkers and philosophers have for some years carried on a wholesale and retail plan and statistics business. The Atkinsonian multiplicity and multifariousness seem marvellous even when this fact is admitted.

Mrs. Stark, Pleasant Ridge, O., says: "After two doctors gave up my boy to die, I saved him from croup by using One Minute Cough Cure." It is the quickest and most certain remedy for coughs, colds and all throat and lung troubles.

KING BROS.

From Quewhiffle to Texas.

Correspondence of the Observer.]

Having promised several North Carolina friends to give them some sketches of our trip to the "Lone Star" State, I will, with the OBSERVER'S kind permission, endeavor to fulfil my promise, through the columns of our dear old friend.

For several days prior to departing our home was thronged with relatives and friends coming to pay us their last respects and invoke a blessing upon us in the journey. The busy hours glide by. All is bustle and hubbub. Packing trunks, telling friends good-by and making other arrangements for leaving, requiring all our time.

Wednesday, December 15th, the day of departure dawned bright and beautiful. All things are ready; trunks are locked, roped and hauled to the depot. The carriages drive up to the gate. Our party slowly, solemnly, silently walk out of the "old house at home," and we are off for the depot, scarcely stopping to cast one last lingering look back at the hallowed scenes of childhood.

At Buffalo, the station on the A. & R. R. R. where we took the train, quite a concourse had assembled, both white and colored, to bid us a final adieu. After a short wait at Buffalo, the train rolled up, and just as the sun sank into his crimson curtained couch, our party, nineteen persons, got aboard the train for Aberdeen.

We entered the car, raised a window and gazed upon the sad crowd beckoning hands, waving handkerchiefs and still looking after us, when we vanished out of sight. We can never forget that sight. Those faces are photographed indelibly in our mental camera, so that Time's finger can never efface them.

While gazing upon the golden sunset, we rolled into Aberdeen. Here we got tickets, checks, etc., and in a few minutes we were seated in the S. A. L. Vestibule thundering on towards Atlanta. Night now spread her dusky mantle over all and we find ourselves confined to the dreamy realm of the car, seeing nothing save our own reflection in the window.

'Twas nearly day when we reached Atlanta, Thursday morning. In "Union Depot" all seemed a babel of confusion. Such a racket was almost enough to cause a "backwoodsman" to lose his equilibrium. At first, we concluded that the "Gate City" had gone on dress parade just on this particular occasion; but later, we learned that she was very complacent just then.

A short delay here and we board the "Lookout Mountain" train for Nashville, Tenn. This route traverses North Georgia, Alabama and east Tennessee near Atlanta, the country is very rugged and ill adapted to farming. Still further on from Atlanta the hills merge into mountains, interspersed with beautiful, fertile valleys, dotted with nice farm houses. Now and then a little white church on the hill rears its steeple towards the skies, showing that these are "people whose God is the Lord."

We rush on through cuts and glide over fills. New scenes greet the eye at each turn of the way. Piedmont brooks, elegant residences and fertile fields interminglе like pictures before us. The glistening tombstones in the background mark the spot where "the rude fore fathers of the hamlet sleep."

In this beautiful country is Cartersville, the town of "Bill Arp" and Sam Jones. Here the scenery grows more picturesque. Large plantations and pleasing landscapes spread out in peaceful repose before the admiring gaze.

It is now 1 o'clock p. m. We are in Chatanooga, Tenn. There are acres of railroad track and hundreds of telegraph poles reminding one of old trees covered with myriads of black birds. Leaving Chatanooga at 2 p. m., we go through "Cumberland Mountains." For some distance the railroad hugs the Tennessee river which flows very peacefully between its willow-lined banks. It looks very much like the "Cape Fear" at Fayetteville. And now we are in mountains sure enough. On either hand towering peaks raise their cedar clad heads.

Huge rocks, gray and moss covered, cover the mountain sides, green cedars, gray chestnuts and other trees indigenous to the climate, grow in the crevices of the rocks. The whole presents a picture of beauty grand beyond compare. Several tunnels, in which all was "dark as Egypt," save the faint light emitted by the lamps in the train, and the low death-like rumbling of the wheels making one long for sun light, add awe to this weird land.

Down in the valleys and stuck on the mountain side are the miserable huts of the people who inhabit this land of the clouds. Why they prefer such an abode, and how they manage to keep the "wolf away from the door" are not easy problems to solve.

Leaving the mountains near sun down, we came into "Middle Tennessee" a comparatively level and highly developed country with flourishing towns and fine churches and excellent schools and colleges.

Night again shuts in and we roll on past Nashville to Memphis, arriving at the latter place at 7 a. m. Friday morning December 17th.

Here we take the "Cotton Belt" road for Tyler, Texas. We have now reached "The Father of Waters."

Next week we'll give something more about our trip and also about Texas and the Tar Heels out here.

KIP KIMPTON.

Leggett, Polk Co., Tex.

RANDOM REMARKS.

BY SHAWEN.

Christmas Eve was a busy day in Fayetteville. I was on the streets several times during the day and evening, and found it, at times, difficult to make headway in any one direction on account of the throng which moved in a continuous stream along the sidewalks and in and out of the stores and shops. As I was coming up Hay street late in the afternoon I saw laboriously struggling through the maze of shoppers and sight seers the decrepit form of an old gentleman with flowing beard of silver, and to all appearance he had long since passed the allotted stage of "three score years and ten." People were pouring from the many stores laden with precious parcels containing Christmas surprises for friends and kinsfolk. The small boy was very much in evidence with his firecrackers and Roman candles, and the merry laughter of the little girls could be heard on every hand as they discovered new revelations of beauty and delight in the profusely decorated windows. The old man, from sheer exhaustion, stopped and leaned against a friendly post for support. He gazed upon the scene around him with mingled feelings of joy and sadness. The hurry and bustle of the crowd, together with the prattle of the happy children had something in it which entused and energized anew the withered frame. His thoughts, doubtless, were taken back into the long ago when he, too, was a boy. The ox-wagon, stage coach, cross roads store, primative cabin home, all came before him as a panorama—how different everything now!

But who is this coming across the street? A boy and girl, apparently about 6 or 8 years of age, timidly approached the aged watcher. As they came up, he looked down upon them kindly, and, taking encouragement from this, one of them—the boy—ventured to say :

"Howdy do, Mr. Santa Claus."

Gently and caressingly he placed his hand upon the child's head, and, asking several questions, soon found that they were poor in point of earthly riches, expected but little in the way of Christmas joy, but were simply feasting their little eyes upon the beauties intended for others. The old man took the two little fellows into a store and loaded them down with many trinkets and toys which delight the childish heart, and they went away none the wiser as to the identity of the old gentleman, but firm in the belief that Old Santa was a substantially real children's friend.

It will be difficult to tell which was the happiest actor in this little drama.

Nothing is more touching than to see a poor child gazing longingly into a shop window where toys reign. I saw a sweet faced woman take such a child into a store and buy a few little toys and hand them to the wondering child. That woman, I am sure, was more than repaid by the expression of delight on the pinched little face.

There were other instances of beautiful deeds like this one, performed by kind-hearted individuals, which came within my notice on Christmas eve. My own hand assisted in packing into a large box a goodly number of toys and doll babies which a kind hearted Christian gentleman had bought and ordered sent to some poor children just a little distance in the country. There was a great deal of charity work done this Christmas, probably more than for years, and I don't think it probable that many children in and around Fayetteville opened their eyes on bleakness and empty stockings on Christmas morning. I can imagine nothing so pathetic, so bitter, as for a child to awake and find that the beloved and trusted saint of the day has passed the humble cottage for the home of the rich. Surely it is true christianity to see that the poor little ones receive something on Christmas Day, else in little hearts will be planted the tiny seed of bitterness and envy towards the world's fortunate ones, that thrives rapidly and surely.

SEVENTY FIRST ITEMS.

SEVENTY-FIRST, Dec. 29, 1897.

'Mid the gloaming of Dec. 22nd, the soft light of numerous candles smiled in pretty radiance upon a crowd of interested spectators who filled McPherson's church to its utmost capacity in honor of the marriage of Miss Kate Cooper Davis to Mr. George Turner Cade. The decorations of holly and other greens suggestive of the yule tide were very graceful and attractive, Messrs. Tate Rackley and Nathaniel McArthur served as ushers. The groomsman entered from the left aisle of the church as follows: Mr. Archie McQueen, Mr. Willie Davis and Mr. Willie Owen. The bridesmaids, Miss Ellen McArtan, Miss Lizzie Thames and Miss Hennie Holmes came up the right aisle. The bride, accompanied by her maid of honor, Miss Maggie Vaughn, came in at the right, while the groom, leaning on the arm of his best man, Mr. Empie Downing, entered from the left aisle. The entire party were in evening dress and presented a pretty picture when grouped in front of the pulpit, where the marriage ceremony was simply and beautifully performed by Rev. David Fairley. Miss Lizzie Lamb presided at the organ and rendered the Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin while the party was entering and leaving the church. Immediately upon leaving the church the bridal party drove to Mr. Cade's home on the east side of the river, where a brilliant reception was given them. A host of good wishes, from this side, follow them—for a long life of happiness and prosperity.

Among those from a distance attending the marriage, we noted Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Davis of Little River Academy, Mr. and Mrs. Malloy McLean of Spring Hill, Misses Loula Bullard and Mittie Cobb of Lumber Bridge and others.

On the same date "'mid the darkness," a public debate was held in the school-house at McPherson's church, participated in by the bright boys of Mr. Don McBryde's school. The query: "Was the South justifiable in Seceding from the Union," was argued manfully—did some one whisper boyishly?—by both sides, the audience showing their appreciation by frequent rounds of applause. The judges, Misses Jennie McArthur, Katie McPherson and Eloise McGill, decided in favor of the affirmative. It was the opinion of all present that the speech of the evening was made by Mr. James D. Pierce; it was indeed excellent—he will be heard from again, not many years hence.

Mr. McBryde gave holiday for one week and is spending his brief vacation at his home near Little River Academy.

Miss Mary Gillis who is teaching near Glendale is taking a two weeks' recess at her home in Quewhiffle.

Messrs. David and Spencer Currie are spending the holidays at Mr. H. A. London's in Pittsboro.

Of Seventy-First's "dispersed abroad" who have come to enjoy the warmth of the yule log by the hearthstones of their fathers, we note: Mr. John McFayden of the University, Mr. Archie McFayden and Mr. James E. Ward from Davidson College, Mr. William Sessoms from Trinity College, Messrs. Kelly and Marvin Sessoms, Archie McQueen, George McDuffie and Ben Ray from Raeford Institute, Prof. J. A. McArthur, Misses Mary and Bessie McArthur, Mr. Calvin Lindsay and Mr. Neill Ray's sons from Lumber Bridge, Mr. Walter Townsend from Buie's Academy, Mr. M. J. McInnis from Parkton, Mr. Norman Campbell from Lumber Bridge, Miss May Gillis from Spring Hill, Mr. Floyd Blue from Dunn High School, Miss Christiana McFayden from Red Springs Seminary and others—from which it may be naturally inferred that 71st is an ardent believer in education; yes, perhaps after the present dose of negro education has taken due effect, we *may* be able to appreciate a symphony in "white and black," as illustrated by a "vested choir" composed of the descendants of our former slaves. Angels we may get to be, but angelic we are not yet!

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith, of Carolina, S. C., spent Christmas with Mr. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ritter.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gillis, of Southern Pines, are spending the holidays at Mr. D. B. Gillis'.

Mr. Ed. Smith, of Godwin, is at Glendale this week, visiting Mr. J. H. Currie. Mr. Currie and his guest go today to Thorbiscope, to visit Mr. John Elliott.

Tonight from 7 to 10 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Williams will entertain the pupils of the McPherson church school; the feature of the evening will be a candy pulling.

There will be two oyster suppers in 71st this week—one in the lower regions and the other in the Galatia section; our information regarding them is indefinite.

Mr. Colin Shaw, of Bennettsville, S. C., is visiting his sister, Miss Kate Shaw.

Messrs. Colin Shaw and John A. McDougald, of Statesboro, Ga., are visiting relatives here and in Robeson county.

The Christmas reunion of the children of the late Mr. James McNatt was held this year at the home of Mrs. J. A. Gillis, one of the sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Lock Shaw, of St. Paul's, Mr. and Mrs. Judson Conoly and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Livingston, of Spring Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. Neill McNeill with Mr. J. C. D. McNatt, of Parkton, were all present on this occasion.

Mr. Editor, we thank you for so much space for our "Christmas edition," and crave the further indulgence of indulging in a wee bit of personality, whose thusness is this message to every reader of the OBSERVER: Whoever you are and wherever you may be, whether good, bad or indifferent, whether friendly to this scribe or otherwise, I wish you a happy New Year!

And, furthermore, ask you to join me in the same earnest wish to the Editor and management of the paper.

SCOTCH LASSIE.

Items from adjoining communities of Bladen and Cumberland Counties and St. Paul's N. C.

Prof. D. K. McRae and Dr. Northrope are spending the holidays at their home in Laurinburg, N. C.

Mr. A. B. Williamson, of the Edonia section, having purchased a plantation in upper Robeson county near the A. C. L. R. R., some time ago, moved last week.

Mrs. A. J. Brannon is sick.

Mr. William Clark, son of Rev. J. D. Clark, of St. Paul, returned home from Georgia last week.

Rev. Joseph Evans will preach at the St. Paul's Presbyterian church the first Sunday in January at 11 a. m.

Mr. James Johnson has returned from Mebane, N. C. where he has been attending school. All the boys are glad to see James and enjoy his pleasant company, which always cures the blues.

Mr. A. H. Holder will shortly move from eastern St. Paul's to a house near the Academy in the western part of the village.

Mr. L. Shaw and family spent Christmas at Gillacis, N. C., the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Gillis.

Miss Bettie McGeachy spent Christmas at the home of her father, Mr. John McGeachy, near Atheus.

Mr. D. B. Stone and wife spent Christmas at Hope Mills visiting friends and relatives there.

Mr. A. R. McEachern wears a broad smile—its a girl.

Mr. E. G. Johnson, Treasurer of Robeson county, spent Sunday at St. Paul's, the guest of Mrs. E. Floyd.

St. Paul's, N. C., Dec. 27, 1897. B.

SOUTHERN PINES CHIPS.

The new bowling alley and barber shop in the Stringer building is now in operation.

The Congregationalist church is nearly completed. The frame for the Baptist church is all up; when these are completed Southern Pines will have four churches.

The electric lights add much to the appearance of our streets at night.

Mr. F. D. Blake is spending the holidays at Thagardsville; strange season for fishing.

Messrs. Will Shaw and A. R. Kelly are off on a pleasure trip to Harnett this week.

Messrs. Goodwin and Partlow of Greenwood, S. C., have bought out the livery business previously owned and run by Capt. A. M. Clark.

Four years ago Southern Pines had four stores: now we have sixteen.

A very large crowd attended the Christmas tree given by the Congregationalist Sunday school at the Kings Daughters' hall Christmas night.

There have been 40 to 50 houses built here in the last 15 months, and new ones now starting.

Mr. Everate Coouch is the motorman now on the car running from Southern Pines to Pine Hurst.

Miss Mary Kellar is occupying her new cottage on Bennett street.

Good bye old year, Good bye,
A sweet true friend you've been,
Back into past you now must lie
And let another year come in.

Our lives are like the years
Another must take our place,
Another receive our joys and cares
Another must run their race.

When shall the change be made;
We know not when or where,
But let us live as though we knew
The change would come this year.

Vander Items.

Vander, N. C., Dec. 27th, 1897.

Miss Minnie Godwin has just returned from an extended visit with Mr. M. L. Bell and family of Wilmington.

Mrs. S. A. McDaniel is paying a visit to her brother, J. S. Fisher, the Sheriff of Colquitt county, Ga.

Mr. J. W. Carter, killed two wild turkeys near here last week.

Mr. J. L. Hornerine, of Wilson Mills, N. C., is spending the Xmas holidays with relatives and friends.

The marriage bells are ringing near and far during the holidays.

Miss Josie Butler, of Huntley, Sampson county, is spending the Xmas holidays with relatives and friends near here.

NEWEL.

Resolutions of Respect.

HEADQUARTERS F. I. L. I. CO., Dec. 28, 1897.—At a meeting of the Company held Dec. 27th, 1897, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted :

Whereas; It has pleased Almighty God to remove from the world the soul of our comrade, Capt. James McGilvary, and

Whereas; In view of the loss we have sustained and the still heavier loss suffered by his family, be it

Resolved; That it is but a just tribute to his memory to say that we believe that in his death the Veteran Corps of the Company has lost an honored member, the Company a firm friend and the community a respected citizen and a man who always did his duty in that state of life to which it pleased God to call him.

Resolved; That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family of the deceased in their bereavement; and be it further

Resolved; That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes, a copy sent to the family and a copy sent to the "Fayetteville Observer" for publication.

SERGT, J. A. WORTH,
MAJ. J. C. VANN,
PRIVATE ROBT. JONES,
MAJ. B. R. HUSKE,
Committee.

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Balaam's Ass!

Correspondence of the Observer.]

Balaam's Ass has for centuries had the proud distinction of being the only ass who has ever been able to talk, but he will have to take a *back* seat now, as an ass in Raleigh can not only speak but can carry on a conversation. We have for our authority so reputable a paper as the News and Observer, and we are bound to believe it. This ass had a conversation with a Fayetteville cow. Who but an ass would go to a cow for information about a town? Of course the cow would only talk of such things as would interest an ass, viz: grass, hay and fodder. The ass could not appreciate the many enterprises started here in the last few years. An ass would not notice our stores crowded with goods and purchasers; an ass would not appreciate the splendid hospitality of our people; an ass would not enjoy the great beauty of our women. Sensible cow, you would not scatter your pearls before swine, neither would you before an ass!

Yours, W. F. L.

An Object Lesson in the Gold Standard.

Morganton Farmer's Friend.

The failure of the Piedmont Bank at this place was directly attributable to the refusal of the Park Bank of New York to rediscount local paper. The favor had been extended for years, conditions had in no particular altered, the last securities offered were as good as any that had before been taken; but when Wall Street takes snuff the rest of the country must sneeze, and there must be no sneezing done unless that nest of gamblers and note shavers give the word.

It was the withdrawal of the nursing teat by the old sheep from the lamb, which left the lamb to starve.

We wish to provide a free silver pasture for that and all other like conditioned lambs and render them independent of the old ewes and their milk.

So long as the money of the country is subject as now to be cornered wholly or partially, so long will the producing classes have prices fixed for them, not by supply and demand, but by the holders of the money market.

A stationary money supply with a rapidly increasing population can never mean aught else but contracted development for the mass and increased power for the few.

The years but widen the gap tending to a peasant class below and an aristocracy, not of valor, or blood, or brains, or virtue, but of giant greed, above.

There is no hope of getting rid of the pension steal, our part of which represents every dollar of profit on the cotton crop at even 10 cents a pound, there is no hope of transferring the tariff favors of Uncle Sam from the East, which from time out of mind has been the lawmaker, there is no hope of getting from under the wet blanket thrown over us by Appomattox; but we can unite with the mining and wheat states, open wide the sluices of the mints (the wider the better) and lessen our load of servitude.

At present our task of brick is being increased with the straw gradually withdrawn. The end is inevitable, not Egyptian slavery, God forbid, but the slaughter of the first born of our oppressors and an open road to the Canaan which was given our father Washington.

Let the thieves riot a few years longer. 1900 will witness a buckling on of armor and a rallying of hosts which the world has not seen since the States General met in Paris.

Degradation of the Senate the Fruit of the Boss System.

Noah Brooks in New York Times.]

The degradation of American politics, which has given us the boss and the tools of the boss, is chiefly responsible for the deterioration of the United States Senate. The man who has a genius for the baser sort of politics fixes his eye upon the Legislature of his State; for through that body he is able to hold his grip on reins of power; he can levy tribute on men and corporations who may loathe him, but who are too cowardly to resist his exactions. A Legislature dominated by a boss will not send to the United States Senate any man who does not reflect the debasement of politics in the State from which he comes. As was intended by the founders of the Republic, the House of Representatives more directly reflects the will and temper of the whole people. It is "the popular branch" of our National Legislature. In the inefficiency and incapacity of the Senate, which even the sterling qualities of a very few notable men cannot elevate, we see the collected fruits of bossism in American politics. In the abler and more virile character of the House of Representatives we may see the people more truthfully, because more directly, represented without the interposition of the middleman. The decline of the Senate has kept pace with the rise and progress of the boss.

The Business Barometer.

Putnam (Conn.) Standard.

The advertising columns of legitimate newspapers are now regarded by the public as an unerring barometer of the character, energy and success of business men, and those who fail to accept the now universally accepted method of reaching the people must fall behind in the race for trade.

Joyful News for Clevelandites.

Raleigh correspondent Wilmington Messenger.

J. C. L. Harris, who is regarded as one of the nearest men to the Governor, says that fusion of Populists next year with the Republicans on the 1896 basis, may be regarded as a certainty. The way he puts it is that the Democrats have driven the Populists to the Republicans.

Death of a Former Citizen.

Mr. Riley Wilson, a former citizen of this city, died Tuesday at Swann's station at an advanced age.

Just try a 10c. box of Cascarets, the finest liver and bowel regulator ever made.

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LATEST NEWS

While firing a Christmas salute with a cannon at Asheville, a can of thirty pounds of powder was exploded and quite a number of persons were seriously injured.——The glass factories of the Indiana section give notice that they will start up January 7th, thus putting an end to the long strike and lock-out.——This Christmas at the White house was a very quiet one; there was no company.——Jackson, the explorer, will soon start on another expedition to the North pole.——Well-informed people in England think the scare as to affairs in China rather premature; England was not taken by surprise; it is said there is an understanding between her and Germany.——The heirs of Dr. Evans, the rich dentist of Paris, will contest his will; he leaves $250,000 to his various relatives and the balance of his estate to the Evans Museum and Institute of Philadelphia.——The queen of England has a merry Christmas party of children and grand children at Osborne.——China occupies the attention of public opinion in continental Europe; Germany does not know exactly where she stands or how far the other powers will allow her to go.——The Saxon government presents claims for payment against all towns that received aid from the military during the floods last summer.

The grand lodge of Masons is to meet at Washington on the 29th inst.——Dr. Abbott, of the railway commission, is notified by telegraph that the commission is to meet tomorrow; it is said business of importance will be taken up.——Members of the association of academies and high schools are assembling for the meeting in Raleigh.——A boat washes upon Rock away beach with four men in it, frozen and unconscious; they will probably recover.——Professor Alexander Melville Bell, of Edinburg, father of the inventor of the telephone, is to be married in New York to Mrs. H. G. Shelby of Toronto.——The Krag Reynolds Company, wholesale grocers of Indianapolis, make an assignment; the assets are about $400,000 and liabilities $350,000.——The Overman Wheel Company, of Chesopee Falls, Mass., assigns, with liabilities of $529,000 and assets of $1,318,000.——The liability of Mr. Singerley, of the Chestnut Street banks amounts to $2,650,000; the plan to settle up the banks is to issue Record stocks.——The Spanish government shows much feeling over a recent note from Minister Woodford on the situation in Cuba; it is in reply to Spain's answer to the note of Minister Woodford delivered soon after his arrival in Madrid.——A bomb is exploded in the German theatre at Olmutz, Moravia; little damage is done.

The South-Eastern branch of the Wilmington and Weldon railroad toward Ashpole will be completed in thirty days.——The state association of acadamies met in Raleigh yesterday; about twenty of the leading schools of the State were represented; a number of addresses on timely topics were delivered.——Two men are killed and a third severely wounded by the collapse of a building at Goldsboro.——A North Carolina negro named J. W. Harris is arrested in New York for sending threatening letters, demanding money, to several millionaires.——Canada's minister of the interior visits Washington city to confer with Secretary Alger as to relieving the sufferers in the Klondike.——The British government is making vast improvements to and greatly strengthening its fortress at Gibraltar; 5,000 workmen are employed.——A Vienna newspaper calls upon all Europe to unite against the United States and Japan, "their dangerous rivals."

How to Look Good.

Good looks are really more than skin deep, depending entirely on a healthy condition of all the vital organs. If the liver be inactive, you have a bilious look; if your stomach be disordered, you have a dyspeptic look: if your kidneys be affected, you have a pinched look. Secure good health, and you will surely have good looks. "Electric Bitters" is a good Alterative and Tonic. Acts directly on the stomach, liver and kidneys. Purifies the blood, cures pimples, blotches and boils, and gives a good complexion. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold at B. E. Sedberry, & Son Drug Store. 50 cents per bottle.

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The editor will not be responsible for the views or statements of correspondents and reserves the right at all times to censor or correct any article he may think proper to print.

Our side, only, of the paper must be written on—and the real name of the writer accompany the contribution. No attention will be paid to anonymous letters.

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Subscribers will please notify us when their papers are not delivered at the doors of their residences. We have had a few complaints that the carriers had thrown their papers on the ground in yards instead of placing them at their doors as the carriers are instructed to do.

The C. F. & Y. V. Railway freight office and warehouse will be closed all day January 1st, 1898.

The G. T. C. will meet at the residence of Mr. G. G. Myrover, on Haymount, next Friday evening.

Marriage of Mr. Alex. Council.

Mr. Alex. Council of Bladen county, was married Wednesday night to Miss Annie Cromartie of Garland.

Dropped Dead.

Sarah Burks, an aged colored woman, dropped dead in Campbellton Tuesday morning of heart disease. She has been a faithful servant in the Ayer family for fifteen years.

Gilmore Waved Examination.

Alex Gilmore was taken before Squires Overby and McKay Monday morning for trial. He waved examination and was bound over to the Criminal Court, now in session.

Christmas in Hope Mills.

With the exception of some drinking and a few fights, Christmas passed off quietly in Hope Mills. There were no accidents.

Friday night the Union Sunday school enjoyed a delightful entertainment; Christmas tree, etc.

Mr. Kirkpatrick Recovered.

Mr. James Kirkpatrick who was recently shot twice by a negro in Gray's Creek township, was in the city Tuesday, apparently recovered from his wounds. He is in search of the fellow who did the shooting and then made good his escape.

Stricken with Paralysis.

Mrs. E. Page was suddenly stricken with paralysis Friday evening. She was apparently in the best of health at the time. It proved to be only a mild attack however, and this morning we are glad to learn she is much better and suffering very little.

Mr. Thos. Hall, Jr., Married.

On the Hurt Monday morning as passengers, bound for Brown's Landing, the home of Mr. Thos. Hall, Jr., were Mr. Thos. Hall, Jr., and his young bride. Mr. Hall was married in Cincinnati last Thursday to Miss Parker, a beautiful young lady, whom he met while she was visiting relatives near Brown's Landing.

The Fence Law Becoming Popular.

People are at last beginning to recognize the importance of the Fence Law, and are now paying the tax, but rather slowly. Already residents of Rockfish,, Pearce's Mill, 71st and Carver's Creek have petitioned, as provided by the Cross Creek fence law act, to be included in the fence district

Death on Haymount.

Mr. Charles Sykes died Friday at the residence of his mother, Mrs. Ed. Sykes, on Haymount. Death was caused by blood poisoning from an abscess in the throat. He leaves a mother and two brothers, both of whom are with the Southern Express Company in Charleston.

A Dastardly Deed.

Just before choir practice at the Presbyterian church Thursday, some scoundrel threw a brickbat through one of the windows, which came near striking several young ladies who were in the vestibule of the church, and on the point of ascending the stairs to the choir loft.

This is a most serious offence, and if the perpetrator is caught, he may look out for severe punishment.

J. A. Perkins, of Antiquity, O., was for thirty years needlessly tortured by physicians for the cure of eczema. He was quickly cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve the famous healing salve for piles and skin diseases. KING BROS.

Chistmas Services.

Christmas services were held at the Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches Sunday and all were largely attended. Dr. Nash, Mr. McKelway and Mr. Hughes, each preached eloquent sermons appropriate to the occasion. The special Christmas music at each of these churches, prepared by the organists, Mrs. W. A. Robeson, Mr. F. R. Rose and Miss Urbie Myrover, harmonized perfectly with the joyous solemnity of the occasion, the birthday of the King of Heaven and earth.

Prosperity comes quickest to the man whose liver is in good condition. DeWitt's Little Early Risers are famous little pills for constipation, biliousness, indigestion and all stomach and liver troubles.
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People and Their Movements.

Miss Lizzie Bolton has gone to Durham to visit Mrs. Dr. Caviness.

Mr. J. A. Moore, of Tarboro, is a welcome Christmas visitor home.

Mr. J. D. Johnson, a well known citizen of Gray's Creek, is sick with the grippe.

Dr. Highsmith left Friday to visit his father in Sampson county for a few days.

Miss Hallie Plummer, of McColl, S. C., is visiting Miss Minnie Andrews, on Winslow street.

Mr. Theodore MacRae is at home from the Agricultural and Mechanical College, Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Newberry, of Dunn, are visiting Mr. Newberry's parents on Haymount.

Misses Sadie Huske and Carrie Nimocks are at home from the Greensboro Normal School for the Christmas holidays.

Dr. J. E. Caviness, of Durham, formerly of Hope Mills, is in the city on a short visit.

Miss Annie Wetmore is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents in Greensboro.

Miss Nellie Fuller, of Durham, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. S. Huske, on Dick street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newberry, of High Springs, Florida, came home to spend Christmas.

Mr. J. R. Webster and the Misses Rowes, from Bennettsville are spending Xmas with Mrs. W. R. Wicker.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Guthrie, of Durham, charmed their host of friends here by spending Christmas in our midst.

Mrs. McGeachy and Mr. Hector McGeachy are in Raleigh spending the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. Robt. McGeachy.

Mrs. Chas. Glover left on the 25 h to attend the marriage of her son, Mr. Chas. Glover, Jr., to Miss Florence Bradley, of Washington, D. C.

Mr. Beatty Mallett, of Leighton, Ga., and Mr. Lee Holmes, of Wilmington, have been spending the holidays with the Misses Mallet, on Rowan street.

Misses Josie Butler and Irene McKay, of Huntley, Sampson county, are visiting their cousin, Miss Claudia Butler, on the east side of the Cape Fear.

Miss Blanche Boyd of Concord, sister of our young townsman, Mr. J. R. Boyd, who has been seriously ill with diphtheria, is fast improving we are glad to learn.

General and Mrs. DeRosett, Mr. Nash DeRosett and Miss Anita DeRosett, are spending the Christmas holidays with General DeRosett's daughter, Mrs. W. L. Holt, on Haymount.

Mr. Geo. W. Woodward, of Durham, and Mr. Joel A. Woodward, of Stillmore, Ga., are in the city spending Christmas and the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Woodward on Haymount. These two gentlemen are very welcome visitors to their old home.

Miss Myrtle Elvira Burns, of Maxton, is visiting relatives in the city.

Mrs. Murphy, who has been visiting her son, Capt. H. L. Murphy, has returned to Baltimore.

It is most gratifying to learn that our former young townsman, Mr. Jno. MacRae, who has been practicing medicine at Winslow, Arkansas, for the past two months, is making rapid progress in his profession.

Fayetteville and Asheboro.

The Asheboro Courier of a recent date says:

The Observer says that a movement is again on foot to revive an interest in building the Fayetteville & Aberdeen R. R., and to this end the old charter has been renewed. A meeting was recently held in Fayetteville which adjourned to meet at Southern Pines Dec. 28th. The road should connect with the Aberdeen and Asheboro.

Death of Mrs. Powell.

Mrs. Sarah Maultsby Powell, wife of Mr. W. H. Powell, died at her residence on Maultsby street Sunday morning at 6 o'clock.

Mrs. Powell has been ill and suffering for several months and her death was not unexpected, but rather has been hourly looked for for some time past. She passed away peacefully, surrounded by her husband and nearest relatives. She leaves a husband, seven brothers and one sister, besides a large family connection to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Powell was 50 odd years of age and during her whole life has been a member of the Baptist church.

The funeral was held from the Baptist church Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Hawkins---Moody.

Mr. Burnham Hawkins, of Oxford, and Miss Sarah Jeanette Moody, one of Fayetteville's fair daughters, were united in marriage Monday by Rev. Isaac W. Hughes at the residence of the bride's sister, Miss Lizzie Moody, on Gillespie street. Only a few friends witnessed the ceremony, which was very simple, but beautiful. The bride entered the parlor on the arm of Mr J. H. Robinson, who gave her away, while by the groom stood his best man, Mr. J. G. Hollingsworth. After the ceremony a delightful supper was served; and then the wedding party repaired to the 10:25 A. C. L. train, to wish the happy young couple, God speed, on their bridal trip north.

Miss Allie Hughes, Norfolk, Va, was frightfully burned on the face and neck Pain was instantly relieved by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which healed the injury without leaving a scar. It is the famous pile remedy. KING BROS.

Dunn Murderer and Victim Brought Here.

On the 4:50 south bound A. C. L. train which arrived here Sunday afternoon, in charge of Sheriff Pope of Harnett was Tom Adkins, a negro charged with murdering John Campbell in Dunn Friday night.

On the same train, but in a coffin in the Express car, was the body of the murdered man, John Campbell, brought here (his old home) for burial. His remains were interred this morning.

Adkins was brought here to prevent his being lynched by the colored people of Dunn. Sheriff Pope says that it was all he could do to keep the negroes from dealing summarily with his prisoner, and but for a number of deputies who constantly guarded the accused man, they would no doubt have taken the law in their own hands.

A dispatch from Dunn on Christmas day says:

"A man was murdered here last night. John Campbell, colored, an employe of Mr. King's factory here was found dead this morning from a cut in the back. Tom Adkins, a negro, was arrested for the crime, with strong evidence of foul play.

The murdered man was well thought of by all classes while the accused does not bear a good character. It is supposed jealousy of a woman and whisky was the cause.

The negroes threatened lynching, but the sheriff and marshals promptly quieted them."

Criminal Court.

Wright will, of course, have to appear in the court room Thursday in the same manner he appeared before the grand jury.

The special December term of the Criminal Court convened this morning, Judge Thos. H. Sutton presiding and Solicitor Seawell prosecuting.

Capt. W. P. Wemyss is foreman of the grand jury. There are 102 cases on the docket, two of which are capital ones, Alex Gilmore and Isham Wright, both charged with burglary. Neither will probably be tried, however, as Wright, the principal witness against Gilmore and himself, has not yet recovered from his wounds and cannot walk, in fact he has to lie on his stomach all the time, in which position he has been since he was shot by the Cedar Creek posse, five or six months ago.

Three cases have been tried and disposed of by the Criminal Court since Monday at noon.

Wright Williams, charged with removing crop, was found not guilty. Jas. Cogdell, forcible tresspass, guilty, judgment suspended.

Ned Campbell, two indictments for assault with deadly weapon, (on Policeman Benton and David Watkins) guilty in each case. Campbell had no lawyer and conducted his own defence, cross examining witnesses, etc. The jury remained out but a minute in each case. The vest which Mr. Benton wore when shot, was exhibited, showing the bullet hole and how near death it's wearer had been.

Alex Gilmore is to be tried. The grand jury Monday returned a true bill against him, he was then arraigned and plead not guilty.

A special venire of 150 has been summoned for Thursday, when Gilmore will be put on trial for his life.

Isham Wright, who turned states evidence, was carried from his cell in the county jail to the grand jury room on a stretcher. There, lying on his stomach, he testified against his alleged former confederate. Wright, it will be remembered, when it was thought he was dying made a declaration before the clerk of the court, in which he confessed to standing watch while Gilmore entered Mr. McDonald's bed room by the window and took out a trunk containing the money. Gilmore escaped and his remarkable career from then until he was captured has been one of the sensations in the criminal annals of the State. Wright was shortly afterwards captured, but not before he was dreadfully shot.

The grand jury is investigating the shooting on Christmas day, but so far have not taken any action.

A number of cases were disposed of Tuesday afternoon and yesterday morning, as follows:

Will Jackson, carrying a concealed weapon, guilty; 60 days in jail.

Jno. Bruner, assault with deadly weapon, plead nolle contendre, judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Mr. W. F. Maultsby, selling whisky to minors, plead nolle contendre and judgment suspended on payment of costs. Same plea and action taken in the cases against Mr. Jno. M. Martin.

W. F. Russel, selling whisky on Sunday, plead guilty and judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Ned Campbell, perjury, jury found him guilty, sentence not yet passed. This is his third conviction in the same case.

Albert Russel, attempt at rape, plea of simple assault accepted and judgment suspended on payment of costs.

Marrietta Anderson and Albert Russel, cruelty to animals, guilty; Russel sentenced to 90 days in prison; Anderson woman allowed to take insolvent debtor's oath and released.

Consumption Positively Cured.

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at B. E. Sedberry, & Son Drug Store.

Marriage of Miss Hattie McQueen.

Miss Hattie McQueen, daughter of the late Ex Sheriff McQueen of this county, a young lady very popular in Fayetteville, was married Thursday at Lumber Bridge to Mr. Preston Stamps The Lumber Bridge News of yesterday says:

The long looked for marriage of Mr. Preston Stamps and Miss Hattie McQueen will take place in the Presbyterian Church tonight. It is to be, it is said, a wedding of unusual brilliance. The popularity of the contracting parties is attested by the fact that so many trains have been bringing friends to grace the occasion with their presence. Our reporter says that the pages are to be Messrs. Charlie McNair and Worth Shaw, and the ushers are to be Messrs. J. A. Currie, J. L. Shaw, Peter McQueen and Eugene Smith. The attendants are to be Stiff T. Dorcho of Caswell, the best man, and Miss Sallie McQueen, sister of the bride, the maid of honor. Mr. W. Stamps Howard and Miss Mary Eliza McQueen, Prof. J. A. McArthur and Miss Irene McQueen, Mr. Hector McGeachy and Miss Miriam Stamps, Rev. C. E. Hodgin and Miss Pauline Stamps, Mr. A. J. Cook and Miss Flora McKinnon.

The bride will be given away by her uncle, Mr. Peter McQueen. She will be attired in a beautifully made white satin, trimmed in seed pearls and veil draped in orange blossoms, and will carry an exquisite bouquet of white roses in her hand. The bridesmaids will wear suits of elegantly made white organdie.

Christmas Day in Fayetteville.

Apart from a good deal of drunkeness and rowdyism, on the main streets, from which luckily there resulted no accidents, Christmas day was enjoyed by the majority of our citizens quietly but substantially. In the morning a number of young men planted a large cannon, in the centre of Hay street near the post office and fired several salutes. The result was disastrous, however, to the window panes in the neighborhood, as will be seen by a glance at Sheetz's furniture store (where a large plate glass is badly cracked), Pemberton's book store, Huske's hardware store, Tillinghast's crockry store, Cape Fear Dry Goods Company's store, Horne's drug store and W. G. Clark's store. All these places have the appearance of having gone through a bombardment.

In the afternoon, four young men, a little too much "in their liquors" paraded the streets firing pistols and and guns, terrorizing people generally. For some time the police were unable to cope with them, but finally they were subdued and one of them, who insisted on firing at people's feet, was arrested.

Homicide at Spout Springs.

Friday night Thomas Dobbin, was brought here by two Harnett county deputies and placed in jail for safe keeping, charged with killing another negro named Hugh Ray.

Dobbin and Ray, both young negroes, not more than 18 years old, were employed at Britton & Johnson's saw mill at Spout Springs and yesterday evening they got into a quarrel, which resulted in Dobbin's breaking Ray's skull with a stick.

Dobbin was seen in jail Friday by a reporter and talked freely of the killing, though he seemed to be suffering intensely from remorse. He said that about three o'clock yesterday afternoon he and Ray were removing planks, as they came from the saw, when he happened to let one fall on Ray's foot, and the latter (who was mad anyway, at having been guyed by Dobbin and others during a straw ride some time previous) became enraged and walking off a short distance cursed him and defied him to come near him; that he, Dobbin, advanced towards Ray with a piece of scantling about three feet long and an inch square, and as he drew near, Ray started forward with a drawn knife, and he struck him over the head. Ray fell to the ground sticking the knife in his leg as he did so. Ray died about an hour later and Dobbin was arrested.

Thornton-Johnson.

Mr. Geo. Thornton and Miss Irene Johnson, the handsome daughter of Mr. Mack Johnson, were quietly united in marriage yesterday afternoon at the Baptist parsonage.

I. O. O. F.

The following officers were elected Moday night for Cross Creek Lodge No. 4, I. O. O. F. for ensuing term:

S. W. Tillinghast, N. G.
H. B. Everett, V. G.
T. F. Lewis, Recording Secretary.
W. D. Gaster, Financial Secretary.
H. R. Horne, Treasurer.
Trustees for one year—H. L. Cook, J. R. Williams, C. P. Overby.

Mrs. M. B. Ford, Ruddell's, Ill., suffered for eight years from dyspepsia and chronic constipation and was finally cured by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for all stomach and liver troubles. KING BROS.

Poor and Weak

Catarrh and Bronchial Trouble—Had no Appetite—Now Better in Every Way—A Delicate Child.

"Some time since I took a sudden cold and could not get rid of it. Being subject to catarrh and bronchial trouble I coughed terribly. I lost my appetite and grew poor and weak and I did not feel like work. I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. In a short time the cough disappeared, I slept well, had a good appetite and I was better in every way. Last spring I was not feeling well, I had no appetite and no strength. I resorted to Hood's Sarsaparilla and soon felt more like work. My little nephew was a delicate child and had a humor which troubled him so he could not rest at night. He has taken a few bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and now he has a good appetite and is able to sleep." MISS ABBIE J. FREEMAN, South Duxbury, Mass.

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Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion. 25c.

Queer Case of an Old Lady.

A rather nice looking old lady, at least 85 years of age and stone blind, came up on the C. F. & Y. V. from Wilmington Thursday afternoon and as she was without money and friends and in fact seemed to know very little about herself, she was taken to the court house and is now on the hands of clerk of the court, Mr. Cyrus Murphy. All she knows is that her name is Lizzie Hoffman, that she has been living with a daughter in Missouri, that the daughter died six weeks ago and that since she has been trying to reach another daughter whose name she says is Mrs. Mary Hoover and who she thinks lives in this or an adjoining county. She says her native place is in Shannandoah county, Va., five miles from Woodstock.

This afternoon Mr. Murphy purchased a ticket and sent her to Wilson where she hopes to find her daughter.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure Send for list of testimonials.

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" —sides	9@10
" —shoulders	8@8½
Oats—32 lbs per bushel	38@40
Peas—clay	55@60
" —mixed	60
Meal—bolted—44 lbs per bushel	45@55
" —unbolted—48 lbs per bushel	50@50
Corn—old—56 lbs per bushel	50
Onions—select—per bushel	75@90
Lard—N. C.	8@8½
Tallow	2½@4
Ducks	18@20
Hens—per head	25
Roosters—per head	15 a 20
Turkeys—per lb	7 a 8½
Guineas	16
Geese	25 a 35
Butter—choice yellow	25 a 30
Honey—strained—per lb	9 a 10
" —comb—per lb	8 a 13
Eggs—hen—	15 a 17
Feathers—new	35 a 40

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We are very much pleased indeed with our Buck stove, and consider it the very best stove we have ever used, as it gives entire satisfaction. C. J. HEDGPETH.

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Mr. E. L. Remsburg has just completed a monument to be erected to the memory of T. W. Talbot, founder of the International Association of Machinists, over the grave of the latter in Florence, S. C. Mr. Remsburg left Tuesday afternoon for Florence with the monument, which will almost occupy an entire freight car.

In November Mr. Remsburg received a letter from the headquarters of the I. A. of M. in Chicago, inclosing a design of a monument and requesting him to make a bid for its construction. Mr. Remsburg did not much like the design and submitted the matter to his wife, who is an artist of ability. The consequence was that an entirely different design, but of about the same dimensions, was forwarded to Chicago accompanied by a bid at which the contractor could make a fair profit.

Mr. Remsburg received the contract by the next mail; and now stands completed a piece of workmanship that will not only be a magnificent monument to the distinguished dead, but also a monument to the splendid skill of its constructor and sculptor.

The monument, which is of fine white Vermont marble and will stand 11 feet high when erected, is in five pieces; the first base, second base, die, cap and spire. On the second base is the name Talbot, in large plain letters; on the die is an inscription stating the object of the monument, on each of the four sides of the cap is beautifully engraved the monagram, I. A. of M.; about the centre of the spire, is skillfully wrought the emblem of the order.

Mid-Winter Fair.

The F. I. L. I's. Mid-Winter Fair or "The meeting of the Nations" will be held on January 26th, 27th and 28th. In another column will be found an interesting communication in regard to this coming event, its purpose and necessity. It should receive the unanimous and hearty support of each and everyone of the citizens of Fayetteville.

Elred and Ashpole Branch.

A correspondent of the Wilmington Messenger says:

"Eight miles of the South-Eastern branch of the Wilmington and Weldon railroad from Elred, Robeson county, on the Wilson Short Cut, to Ashepole, Robeson county, have been graded, and all the line will be done in thirty days. It is believed that the road will be continued to Hub, Columbus county, twelve miles further."

Mr. Geo. Huske of this city is the chief civil engineer, under Col. Gardner, working on this branch.

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J. S. HUNTER, Receiver, Greensboro, N. C.
H. McD. ROBINSON, N. A. SINCLAIR, } Attorneys, } Fayetteville, N.C.
Dec. 23, 1897---ts

Land for Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland County in a cause therein entitled M. J. Owen, Adm'r, vs. Nathaniel Owen et al., heirs at law of Nathaniel Owen, deceased, the undersigned commissioner appointed for that purpose, will offer for sale at the Market House in Fayetteville, N. C., on Monday, the 7th day of February, 1898, at 12 o'clock M, for cash, to the highest bidder, the following described real estate to-wit all that tract of land, beginning at a post in the South margin of Moore street and running with said margin North 65 West 70 ft. 4 ins. to a stake; thence South 23¾ West 158 ft. to a stake: thence South 65 East 70 ft. 4 ins. to a stake; thence North 23¾ East 158 ft. to the beginning. The above land is in the city of Fayetteville, on Moore street, and beginning corner is 135 ft. 8 ins. from the intersection of Hogg and Moore streets, it being the same land which formerly belonged to B. W. Robinson, Robert Broadfoot and others and was the residence of the late Nathaniel Owen. N. A. SINCLAIR,
Dec 26, 1897. Commissioner.

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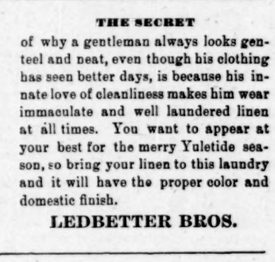

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Judge Sutton and Imprisonment for Taxes.

The Raleigh News and Observer contains the following:

When a short time after the adjournment of the legislature, the News and Observer pointed out that a law had been enacted for the punishment by fine and imprisonment of all parties not paying their taxes by the term of court after the date when a sheriff is authorized to collect by distraint, some of the republican papers set up a howl, even declaring that no such law had been enacted. The following advertisement, inserted in the Charlotte papers by a republican judge, who was a member of the last legislature, will settle the matter for all time:

"IMPORTANT TO TAX PAYERS.

"I instructed the sheriff from the bench this (Monday) morning to prepare a delinquent list of all parties not having paid their taxes by Saturday night, the 18th inst. and to furnish the same to this court. The list will then be handed to the solicitor to be dealt with according to law. The sheriff has no voice in this matter.

"THOMAS H. SUTTON,
"Judge of the Criminal Court."

JUDGE EWART'S OPINION.

A newspaper special from Marion.]

Judge Ewart, in his charge to the grand jury here, referred to the fact that the sheriff of this county had inquired of him if he would require a list of delinquent tax-payers to be furnished the court, with a view of indictment for misdemeanor under the act of 1897. To this request he stated that he had informed the sheriff that he would not require such a list, and further remarked that such a construction of the law was illogical, absurd and ridiculous. Discussing the matter at length he referred to the fact that in many of the counties court had been held within a few days after the tax list has gone into the hands of the sheriffs and tax collectors and that under this absurd construction every taxpayer in those counties would be liable to indictment before the tax collector could print notices that he ever had the lists in his hands, and that, too, in the face of the plain provision that a sheriff could not enforce collection till November. Other absurd features of such a construction were referred to.

He said further that he did not believe that there was a well-informed lawyer in the State who would so construe the statute.

On being informed that Judge Sutton had just decided at Charlotte that every delinquent tax payer in Mecklenburg must be at once indicted under this law, he dryly remarked that a judge who would sentence a man to be hanged on Thanksgiving Day was liable to decide almost anything, and that Sutton's decision didn't at all change his opinion of a lawyer who would place such an absurd construction on this law.

JUDGE SUTTON DENIES.

The Charlotte News of Saturday says:

The advertisement concerning taxes, which has appeared in the News with Judge Sutton's name attached, was inserted under a misapprehension. He did not order nor authorize its insertion. The mistake grew out of his remark to Sheriff Smith, made from the bench, in which he told the sheriff to make out a list of all the tax-payers who had not paid their taxes by tonight, and he would see what he and the solicitor could do about it. This was not in his charge to the Grand Jury. It seems that the Judge did not intend it as an official order.

The remark had the desired effect, however, for there has been this week the greatest rush to pay taxes in the history of Mecklenburg. Sheriff Smith has this week handed out receipts for over $20,000 of county and State taxes.

Judge Sutton is said to have made to the sheriff of Halifax practically the same remark he made to Sheriff Smith.

The advertisement has been copied and commented on all over the State, and some of the Republicans, including Judge Ewart, have attacked Judge Sutton severely for his action.

The Raleigh Post of Sunday says:

In a letter to Gov. Russell, Judge Thos. H. Sutton makes a flat denial of the published report that he ordered the Sheriff of Mecklenburg to furnish him the names of all the persons who had not settled their taxes, in order to deal with them according to law. He was quoted as saying that the sheriff had no discretion in the matter but but must report all the delinquents.

Judge Sutton writes the Governor that the grand jury had already retired when he made some such remark, and that it was entirely in a jocular mood. He says not a word of the published report is true.

Home Art.

The reporter was struck, the other day, with the beauty of two pictures hung in Mr. W. N. Tillinghast's store on Hay street, and stepped inside to examine them. They didn't look quite like etchings (worth, for such pictures, about $100 apiece), nor were they engravings on vellum; but the effect was almost the same. He was astonished to learn that they were done here in Fayetteville. They are the work of Mr. Tillinghast's daughter. They are enlarged copies of magazine engravings, sepia tinted. They are good specimens of a higher art than we supposed was nurtured outside of the great centres. Go and look at them.

One Minute Cough Cure cures quickly. That's what you want!

KING BROS.

NO CURE—NO PAY.

That is the way all druggists sell GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC for Chills and Malaria. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter nauseating tonics. Price, 50c.

Guaranteed and for sale by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

CARE OF HOUSE PLANTS.

Treatment Necessary to Insure a Healthy Bloom During the Winter.

"Probably one of the greatest difficulties with which we have to contend in keeping plants in the house is that parching dryness of the atmosphere most noticeable in steam or furnace heated houses," writes Robert R. McGregor in The Woman's Home Companion. "This condition may be overcome to a certain extent by placing jars or pans of water on the radiators or swinging them in the pipes just below the registers, thus furnishing a constant supply of moisture to the air by the evaporation of the water. Gas and dust are enemies to plants. The former must be prevented by proper regulation of the heating apparatus and the latter by regular washing of the foliage. In spraying or sponging the foliage do not neglect the under sides of the leaves, for it is there that insects first make their appearance, and regular sponging will prevent them from starting or spreading.

"The temperature is another matter for consideration. In the average living room the temperature should be from 68 to 70 degrees F., which for the majority of plants will do very well, but there are some, such as carnations, violets, primroses, callas, etc., which will thrive better in a room where the temperature is from 8 to 10 degrees lower. At all times guard carefully against placing plants where they will be subject to cold drafts, which are injurious and often produce mildew if the foliage is damp.

"Another important part in the cultivation of house plants is the watering, which influences to a great extent success or failure. To lay down specific rules for watering would be a difficult matter. Too much water will rot the roots, sour the soil and stop the growth of the plant and not enough will starve it. The general tendency is to overwater. Supply water liberally when necessary, then withhold it entirely until the soil is in condition to be watered again. The soil in the pot should not be allowed to become dry like dust, but just so it will crumble nicely in the hand. Avoid by all means the ruinous practice of watering the plants daily whether they need it or not. Plants in small pots usually dry out quickly, but this may be prevented by placing them on trays or saucers on which there is an inch or two of clean sand.

"As to the best location in the room for plants, place them where they will get the greatest amount of fresh air, light and sunshine, which is usually about the windows. Flowering plants should be given all the sunshine possible. Foliage plants do not require sunshine—that is, it is not absolutely necessary—but do not consign them to a dark corner for that reason."

Artificial Flowers.

The artificial flower trade, in which thousands of women and girls are employed both in London and Paris, is on the eve of being revolutionized, so says Cassell's Family Magazine. Hitherto the petals have been made of muslin, silk, satin and even of velvet, colored after nature and most successfully manipulated into the semblance of beautiful blossoms.

A substance has been discovered for flower making that puts the most delicate textile materials ever manufactured completely in the shade, and will probably take their place and reign supreme for its particular purpose.

It consists of the thinnest of thin shavings from the inner pith of an oriental palm that grows in Formosa and can be compared to nothing so well as the almost transparent petal of a white poppy or a delicate tea rose. A lily petal is robust in comparison with this marvelous substance, which has all the sheen and translucence and even the slightly frosted appearance seen in some white flowers.

It can be tinted far better than silk or muslin and is practically indestructible. In wet weather it gives and falls a little limp, just as real flowers do, but when the sun comes out it crisps, reasserts itself and takes a new lease of life and beauty.

So admirably adapted are roses and carnations made of it for buttonhole and other bouquets that when fairly on the market they will most likely make a considerable difference to the florists, as the fadeless flowers never really droop and will do duty over and over again.

Winter Blooming Oxalis.

The oxalis in its many varieties is one of the prettiest and most satisfactory window plants we have and owing to its ease of cultivation and very free flowering qualities should find a place in every collection of house plants. Among the best varieties to grow are the bowell, a very charming variety having strong, heavy foliage and bearing large rose colored flowers; versicolor, the closed flowers of which are very delicately marked; Bermuda buttercup, an improved yellow sort with large flowers; Lutea plena, double yellow; floribunda, pink, and Floribunda alba, white. All of the above varieties are grown from bulbs, which may be planted in a four or five inch pot, thus securing a good bend of foliage and a larger number of blooms in one mass. Keep the plants in a warm, sunny window while blooming and water them well as often as is necessary.—Woman's Home Companion.

An Answer to Mansfield.

Concerning the capture of Dargai ridge by the Gordon highlanders, Mr. Richard Mansfield, actor, inquires:

Did you hear the swish of the flying shot,
The roll of the drum and the rattle pot,
The music that rose clear over that yell
And thrilled through the ranks and stirred up hell?

We did not. But if Mr. Mansfield is going to scoop Kipling in that fashion again we shall gladly go where the shot swishes and the rattle pot rattles its worst rather than face any more of that sort of music.—Chicago Journal.

Good Advice.

"I have become so accustomed to wearing bloomers," said the bicycle girl, "that during the winter I think I shall simply wear my skirts over my bloomers. What do you think of the idea?"

"In my opinion," replied the girl who never had a hankering to forsake the garb of femininity, "that will be infinitely preferable to trying to wear the bloomers over the skirts."

Thus it happened that for a time the relations between them were somewhat strained.—Chicago Post.

A Household Necessity.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists. Sold by B. E. Sedberry & Sons.

DIGGING CELLAR DRAINS.

Always Do the Work From the Outside if You Have Been Losing Poultry.

If George Avery of this neighborhood ever digs out another cellar drain, he will begin at the outside and dig in, because nobody can tell what a cellar drain holds until its whole length has been explored. Though a cellar drain has no apparent connection with hens, Avery has learned otherwise and paid more than $50 for learning.

Avery has bought a lot of hens for three or four years and has made money out of them. When his neighbors saw how he prospered, they went to raising hens also, and when the spring of 1897 opened there was more poultry running loose in Whiting Hill than in any other place east of Bangor. Some time last May the young chickens and early broilers began to disappear, going out healthy and strong in the morning and neglecting to show up at night. On some days Avery lost four or five, and then the average would reach 10 or 12 every day for a week. The neighbors began to lose chickens too. They complained to Avery about his dog, and Avery entered a counter complaint about their cats, and both sides were getting hot about it when Sam Adams solved the mystery by seeing a black fox in the very act of carrying away a plump cockerel. Of course it is a bad thing to have any kind of fox carry away one's poultry, but if a man has got to surrender his hens to the foxes he would sooner see a black fox get them than one of any other color. The reason for this is that a black fox wears an overcoat worth anywhere from $100 to $150, and the man who captures the fox and sells the pelt is pretty sure to get good pay for his hens.

In less than a week every hen man in Whiting Hill had turned fox hunter and was out with traps, guns and poison. Every morning and night they devoted at least an hour to stalking the black fox, and every day the black fox sneaked in and carried off all the hens he wanted. The hen raisers caught Avery's dog, and he caught two of their cats, and all of them caught plenty of hens, but in spite of all the blandishments they could hold out the black fox absolutely refused to get into a trap or eat poison or expose himself as a target for loaded guns. Meantime the hens kept growing fewer, until Avery sold out and quit the business, though he continued to hunt for the fox whenever he had time.

After the last big rain Avery's cellar drain refused to carry off the overflow, and the water backed up until the cellar was half full. Avery began to dig from the inside, making a hole through the cellar wall and working down to see what stopped it up. When Avery was half way to the outlet, he sent his boy outside to watch for water while he gave some vigorous punches with a long pole. The third time he drove the pole into the drain the water began to spout, and the boy yelled:

"Oh, father, it's coming. It's black. It's a—darned—big—black—fox!"

Avery looked out of the cellar window in time to see a very fat and very wet black fox scamper off to the woods. Then he sat down and said words that he would thrash his boy for uttering. The fox had been living in Avery's cellar drain all along and had brought in so many hens that the accumulated mass of bones had stopped up the outlet.—Whiting Hill (Me.) Letter in New York Sun.

Corncob Pipes and Teetee Stems.

The manufacture of corncob pipes has become a considerable industry at Beaufort, S. C. Special machinery has been made for the purpose, and an expert turner is employed to carve out the bowls, which are of many designs. The cobs are of a particular corn grown in the Missouri valley and are transported to South Carolina by the carload. The cobs have to be seasoned for two or three years before they are used. The supply of cane stems, which is obtained from the canebrakes along the Port Royal railroad in lots of 60,000 stems, capable of being cut into three lengths, also employs much labor in the country to select and gather them. A new and attractive feature of some of these pipes is the teetee stem.

The teetee is a shrub, the botanical name of which is Cliftonia ligustrina. It grows up in a long, straight, pointless stem, with a soft center pith and of various circumferences, from the size of an ordinary pipestem to that of the little finger. It has enjoyed the reputation, from the aborigines and among southern planters and others, who have ever used it in preference to any other, not excepting the cherry or fig stem, of best absorbing the nicotine and affording a grateful and fragrant taste.—Savannah News.

A Lucky Find.

A guest in a Philadelphia hotel lost a diamond stud in the waste pipe of the bathtub the other day, according to the Philadelphia Record. On hearing of the loss the proprietor allowed the pipe to be taken up at the expense of the loser. A plumber did the job for $10, and the guest not only recovered his stud, but also found in the bend of the drain pipe a diamond ring. Being an honest man, he gave the ring to the proprietor, who advertised the find in several newspapers. As no one came to claim the ring the proprietor, with an equally commendable sense of honesty, returned it to the finder. Needless to say, the loser of the stud was highly compensated for his trouble, as the ring was valued at $150. The fortunate man gave the plumber a crisp $20 note extra, as the brilliant find was partly due to that worthy.

Lilian Bell Homesick In London.

Miss Lilian Bell, the Chicago authoress who is making her first visit to Europe, has evidently encountered homesickness, and in The Ladies' Home Journal uniquely and vividly describes that hitherto unpictured malady: "If I have discovered nothing else in the brief time since I left my native land, it is worth while to realize the truth of all the poetry and song written on foreign shores about home. To one accustomed to travel only in America and to feel at home with all the different varieties of one's countrymen such sentiments are no more than vers de societe. But now I know what heimweh is—the Swiss word for home pain. I can understand that the Swiss really die of it sometimes. The home pain! Neuralgia, you know, and most other acute pains only attack one set of nerves. But heimweh hurts all over. There is not a muscle of the body nor the most remote fiber of the brain nor a tissue of the heart that does not ache with it. You can't eat. You can't sleep. You can't read or write or talk. It begins with the protoplasm of your soul and reaches forward to the end of time and aches every step of the way along. You want to hide your face in a pillow away from everybody and do nothing but weep, but even that does not cure. It seems to be too private to help materially. The only thing I can recommend is tears, unrestrained weeping."

LATEST NEWS

Rev. Owen L. W. Smith of this State is promised the position of minister to Liberia.——Sonly Ryan was hanged at Greensboro yesterday for the murder of his wife.——The supreme court decides the case of Caldwell against Wilson as to the office of railroad commissioner in favor of the plaintiff, Chief Justice Faircloth dissenting; final judgment is entered in the supreme court and as soon as this is done Governor Russell goes to Clerk Kenan and secures an execution which his attorney, W. H. Day, puts into the hands of the sheriff of Wake county, but before the sheriff could execute the writ the defendant secured and had filed in the supreme court a writ of error from the supreme court of the United States.——The findings of the British-American commission, chosen to assess the damages for seizure of British ships in Behring sea have been received at Washington; the awards amount to $464,000, and must be paid in six months.——Philadelphia was startled yesterday by the announcement of the failure of the Chesnut Street National Bank and the Chesnut Street Trust and Savings Fund Company, both presided over by W. S. Singerly, the publisher of the Philadelphia Record; the deposits of the former bank were $1,700,000 and of the latter $1,300,000.——A blizzard is raging in New York State; nearly four feet of snow has fallen at Rochester.

State Treasurer Worth admits that he knew the Piedmont bank was shaky a long time before it failed.——The cornerstone of the Vance monument at Asheville was laid yesterday.——The Andersen murder trial at Norfolk was closed yesterday and the case given to the jury at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon.——The Southern Express Company pays $10,000 to the Park bank of New York, in settlement of the loss by robbery at Columbia, S. C.——Secretary Gage writes a letter to President Gompers, of the Federation of Labor, defending himself and his financial scheme against the attack made by resolutions adopted at the recent meeting of the Federation of Labor.——Boston elects a Democratic mayor by a plurality of 4,079 votes.——Japan no longer opposes annexation of Hawaii by the United States.——Schooners leaving Jacksonville, Fla., are forced to heave to by shots from United States battleships and searched.——It is thought the Fall River operatives will strike against the proposed reduction in wages.——General Weyler opposes attempted autonomy for Cuba; he says persistence in autonomy means loss of Cuba to Spain.

Newspapers and the People.

Speaker Reed in The Illustrated American:

If one were seeking for a valuable criticism of American newspapers it could be found in the objection made by a distinguished Englishman to the full and sometimes nauseating details of crime with which our papers are so often occupied. Where the line should be drawn no one can easily say, for the accounts of crime are legitimate news; but that the line has been overstepped, we certainly know. After all, however, this is not a criticism on our newspapers, but of our people. Things are not printed which people do not want. If such things did not quicken sales they would not be manufactured in that style. It might be well to give some thought to this and to contemplate this, along with our method of administering justice by the discriminating aid of a mob, before we undertake the purification of the world and the civilization of other lands. It may be that after we have ceased to enjoy prurient details of crime and have become content with justice administered under the law of the land we would have a greater influence over the world at large as well as over Turkey and Spain—an influence which would have its origin in character as well as in strength.

It is easy to catch a cold and just as easy to get rid of it if you commence early to use One Minute Cough Cure. It cures coughs, colds, bronchitis, pneumonia and all throat and lung troubles. It is pleasant to take, safe to use and sure to cure.

KING BROS.

Eczema
All Her Life.

Mr. E. D. Jenkins, of Lithonia, Ga., says that his daughter, Ida, inherited a severe case of Eczema, which the usual mercury and potash remedies failed to relieve. Year by year she was treated with various medicines, external applications and internal remedies, without result. Her sufferings were intense, and her condition grew steadily worse. All the so-called blood remedies did not seem to reach the disease at all until S. S. S. was given, when an improvement was at once noticed. The medicine was continued with favorable results, and now she is cured sound and well, her skin is perfectly clear and pure and she has been saved from what threatened to blight her life forever.

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Graded School Report.

To the Trustees of the Graded School:

GENTLEMEN:—Herewith I have the honor to submit my report of third month of the current scholastic year of the Fayetteville Graded School:

Pupils on rolls at beginning of month,	182
Pupils entered during month,	19
Pupils (total for month),	201
Boys during month,	99
Girls during month,	102
Average attendance,	168
Per cent. attendance,	.84

Following is the

ROOL OF HONOR.

Girls—Katie Holland, Fannie Ward' Lula Buckingham, Pearle McClellan, Nellie Davis, Stella Bill, Nan Fisher, Sadie Gardner, Charlotte Holland, Dixie Poe, Emma Solomon, Caroline Bramble, Mary Gardner, Louise Huske, Katie Lamb, Annie Manning, Josie Poe, Allie Johnson, Sallie Vann, Sallie Robeson, Hattie Owen, Eleanor Huske, Katie Sinclair, Effie Sinclair, Dell Boone.

Boys—Haigh Small, Sam Tillinghast, Vernon Maultsby, Neill McArtan, Paul Taylor, James Ward, Ben Ward, Robert Clark, Jas. Emmett, Rufus Brower, Archie McLean Connor Holland, James Maultsby, John Adams, Lenox Bramble, Alonzo Jones, Ernest Williams, Edwin Maultsby, Fred Adams, John Davis, Charles Broadfoot, Will Boone, Fletcher Brower, Grady Crawford, John D. McNeill, Nat Venable, James Tatum.

The school will re open after the Christmas holidays on Monday, January 3rd, 1898.

Respectfully,
MISS P. H. MATTHEWS.

Dec. 14, 1897.

Mrs. M. B. Ford, Ruddell's, Ill., suffered for eight years from dyspepsia and chronic constipation and was finally cured by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for all stomach and liver troubles.

KING BROS.

STATEMENT OF

THE ANNUAL EXPENSES OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS END-ING DEC. 1st, 1897

S. H. Cotton to 23 days sitting as Commissioner at $2.00 per day, $46 00
To 161 miles traveled at 5c. per mile, 8 05
To signing school vouchers, &c., 20 00
To sewer, 3 00
$77 05

J. A. Gainey to 24 days acting as Commissioner at $2.00 per day, $48 00
To 192 miles traveled at 5c. per mile, 9 60
To services as auditing committee, 90 40
$148 00

J. A. McFarland to 24 days sitting as Commissioner at $2.00 per day, $48 00
To 248 miles traveled at 5c. per mile, 14 40
To bridges (built at his own expense), 71 15
To committee (refunding), 50 00
$183 55

Grand total, $408 60

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true statement of the expenses, of the amounts as credited and passed by the Board of County Commissioners for themselves, for the year ending December 6, 1897.

A. L. McCASKILL,
Dec. 21. 1897—ow4w C. C. C.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Fayetteville Post Office Unclaimed Dec. 20, 1897.

A—C. H. Angle.
B—H. J. Battle, Miss Jemese Bramn.
C—Willie Coldon.
E—Miss Bettie Evans.
—Miss Fannie Graham, col., J. H. Gardins, Mrs. Patence Gailmore.
H—J. L. Horne.
J—S. B. Johnson, W. F. Johnson.
L—Walter Lee, Melitea Lovett.
M—George Marsh, T. J. Moore, G. W. Marsh.
Mc—James McSwan, Ed. McCould, Ben McNeill.
S—R. A. Smith 2, O. S. Stanly, Wm. Smith.
T—G. W. Taylor 2
W—W. P. Williams.

Persons calling for any of above letters please say advertised.

W. D. GASTER, P. M.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, fulfils every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. You may have a sample bottle and pamphlet both sent free by mail. Mention the OBSERVER and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

Cumberland County—In the Superior Court.

Susanna Averitt vs. John T. Averitt,

Notice

The defendant above-named will take notice that an action entitled as above has commenced in the Superior Court of Cumberland County the purpose of the same being to secure a dissolution of the bonds of matrimony existing between the above named parties; and the said defendant will further take notice, that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county to be held on the 3rd Monday after the first Monday in March, 1898, at the Court House of said County in Fayetteville, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

CYRUS MURPHY,
Clerk of the Superior Court.

Nov. 29, 1897—6w

Sale of Land.

Under and by virtue of the power contained in a certain deed of trust executed by A. H. Watson and Mary E. Watson to the undersigned trustees, and recorded in Book T, No. 4, page 203, Register of Deeds' office for Cumberland county, the said trustees will, on Thursday, the 20th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock M., expose to sale at public auction, for cash, upon the premises a certain lot of land in the city of Fayetteville described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post in the north margin of Grove street, Benbow's corner; thence as that line North 22 East, 2 chains 50 links, to Watson's line; thence as it North 68 West 1 chain 25 links to a post; thence as Watson's line South 23 West 2 chains 50 links to his corner on Grove street; thence as said street 1 chain 30 links to the beginning, containing one-third of an acre more or less, being the house and lot on said street known as the Porter property.

Terms cash.

N. A. SINCLAIR,
WALTER WATSON,
Trustees.

December 18, 1897.

LAND SALE.

Under a decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland County made in Bank of Fayetteville vs. R. M. Nimocks et al. at November Term, 1897, the undersigned will offer for sale at the Market House in Fayetteville, N. C., on Monday, January 17th, 1898, at 12 o'clock M.,

The Nimocks Store on Hay street.
The Holland House on Dick street.
The Currie House on Haymount.
The Atkins House in Campbellton.
The Hughes House near Fair Grounds.
The Mitchell House in Campbellton.
The Dick White House near W. L. Hawley's.
The Mike King 100 acres, in Carver's Creek.
The Bolton Land, 16 acres in 71st.

Terms: Cash.

C. W. BROADFOOT,
Commissioner.

At the same time and place, and on same terms, The Bank of Fayetteville will offer for sale "The Carolina Roller Mills" on Cross Creek under authority given by deed of mortgage executed to it. See deed, Book A. No. 5, page 212.

BANK OF FAYETTEVILLE,
Dec 14, 1897. H. W. Lilly, Pres't.

COTTON FACTORY
FOR SALE.

Under and by virtue of the authority given by a decree of the Superior Court of Cumberland County in Clark vs. The Manchester Cotton Mills et al. made at Nov. Term, 1897, the undersigned will offer for sale on the premises at Manchester, Cumberland County, N. C., on Tuesday, Jan'y 18th, 1898, at 2 o'clock P. M.,

The Manchester Cotton Mills.

This property is located at Manchester, N. C., one mile from Manchester Depot on the C. F. Y. V. R'y and 12 miles from Fayetteville, N. C.

2,200 Spindles.
78 Looms,
75 H. P. Engine.
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35 Acres of Land.
12 Tenement Houses.
Large Store House.
Machinery in good order—ready for running.

Terms: Cash..

C. W. BROADFOOT,
Dec. 14, 1897. Commissioner.

Valuable Sale.

By virtue of a deed made to me, I will sell at public auction, on Saturday, Jan'y 1st, at the Market House in the City of Fayetteville, that Store on Person street, known as the Tomlinson Store, No. 43, now occupied by Haywood Bros. Title perfect

Also, at the same time and place, one ten horse power Engine and Boiler, in the shop of J. N. Emmett, deeded to me by W. D. McNeill.

Terms of sale: Cash.

Purchaser to pay for deed of conveyance.

A. G BRADY, Mortgagee.
GEO. M. ROSE, Attorney.
Nov. 30, 1897.

Administrator's Notice.

Having qualified as administratrix of Duncan B. Colvin, late of Cumberland County, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of November, 1898, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This Nov. 15th, 1897.

SARAH J. DRAUGHON,
Administratrix.

H. L. COOK, Attorney.

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Sale of Land.

By virtue of the power and authority contained in a certain deed of mortgage executed the 15th day of March, 1897, by Wiley Cain and wife, Darkis Elizabeth Cain to N. A. Vann, recorded in Book A, No. 5, page 78, et seq., the following described land will be sold at public auction for cash at the Market House in Fayetteville, N. C., on Wednesday, the 19th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock M., all that tract of land beginning at the third corner of lot No. 1 and runs South 42 East 17 chs 40 lks to a corner in K. S. Carty's line; thence with his line S 30 W 6 chs to a stake; thence N 55 W 5 chs to a corner in an old field; thence S 46 W 15 chs to a stake; thence N 42 W 20 chs 40 lks to a stake; thence 62 W 22 chs 80 lks to the beginning.

N. A. VANN. Mortgagee.

N. A. SINCLAIR, Attorney.
Dec. 18, 1897

Commissioners' Land Sale.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Cumberland county, N. C., made at November Term, 1897, we shall, on Monday, the 10th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock M., at the Court House door of said county, sell to the highest bidder, for cash, the following land to-wit: "That tract of land now occupied by Stephen McNeill, being the same that he purchased from the late Col. Sandy Murchison, which deed is recorded in Cumberland County, containing about 65 acres, being in Little River township, Cumberland county, N C., adjoining the lands of J. Charles Wright, Daniel Darroch and others.

I. A. MURCHISON,
W. H. POPE,
Dec. 10, 1897. Commissioners.

Land Sale.

By virtue of the power and authority given by a certain Deed of Trust executed by J. D. Williams and wife to W. N. Williams, duly recorded in Book V., No. 4, p. 272, and in order to close his trust, the undersigned will offer for sale at the Court House in Fayetteville, N. C., on January 8, 1898, at 12 o'clock M., whatever interest he may have in the Homestead of the late John D. Williams, Esq., situated about two miles West of Fayetteville, subject to the estate of Mrs. John D. Williams in the same.

Also, about 500 Acres of Land, in Harnett county, on Upper Little River, known as a part of the Murchison land.

Terms, Cash.

W. N. WILLIAMS,
Assignee of J. D. Williams.
C. W. BROADFOOT, Attorney.
December 9, 1897.

Commissioners' Land Sale.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Cumberland county, N. C., made at November Term, 1897, we shall, on Monday, the 10th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock M., at the Court House door of said county, sell to the highest bidder, for cash, the following land, to wit: "The following piece or parcel of land situated, lying and being in the county of Cumberland and State of North Carolina and bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake in a pond, Cary Godwin's corner, and runs N. 87 W., 12 chains and 19 links to a stake in the Godwin line; thence with said line S. 29½ W. 14 chains and 25 links to a stake, Godwin's corner, in a pocosin; thence N. 65 E. 12 chains to the McNeill line; thence with said line N. 25 E. 18 chains to the beginning, containing 18½ acres more or less.

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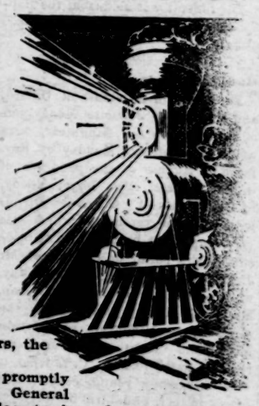

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Leave Sanford,	12 27
Leave Climax	1 48
Arrive Greensboro	3 47
Leave Greensboro,	4 20
Leave Stokesdale,	4 36
Leave Walnut Cove,	5 17
Leave Rural Hall,	5 47
Arrive Mt. Airy,	6 15
	7 45

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 Daily.
Leave Mt. Airy,	8 40 a m
Leave Rural Hall,	10 04
Leave Walnut Cove,	10 20
Leave Stokesdale	11 06
Arrive Greensboro,	11 55
Leave Greensboro,	12 15 p m
Leave Climax,	12 45
Leave Sanford,	2 36
Leave Fayetteville Junction,	3 55
Arrive Fayetteville,	4 00
Leave Fayetteville,	4 10
Arrive Wilmington,	7 20

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